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'And who, in time, knows whither we may vent
The treasure of our tongue? To what strange shores
This gain of our best glory shall be sent
T' enrich unknowing nations with our stores?
What worlds in th' yet unformed occident
May come refin'd with th' accents that are ours?'
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PREFACE.

My former volume, entitled 'Principles of English Etymology, First Series,' was published in 1887, and dealt mainly with 'The Native Element' in English. In that volume I endeavoured to explain the principal phonetic changes that have taken place in the pronunciation of English since 'Anglo-Saxon' times, and to discuss the etymologies of a large number of native English words.

It was also convenient to consider, at the same time, such Latin and Greek words as found their way into Anglo-Saxon; words from Scandinavian sources; the comparatively slight Celtic element (exclusive of such words as came to us through the medium of French); and the Teutonic element generally (but again excluding such as came to us through the same medium).

The present companion volume to the former treats solely of what may well be called 'The Foreign Element' in our language; although here again it is not possible to use the word 'foreign' in any very exact sense. For I have shown below (in § 13, &c.) that the highly important 'Anglo-French' element is, for all practical purposes, as necessary a part of our language as the 'native English' element of Anglo-Saxon origin. But it is obvious that, for the purpose of clearly explaining the etymology of English words, it must be dealt with separately; and I have therefore endeavoured to deal with it here.

The exact contents of this book may best be learnt from the very full 'Table of Contents' which follows this Preface. I may here say, briefly, that, after a short Introductory Chapter, I consider the history of the introduction of French words as a consequence of the Norman Conquest. I then describe what is meant by the term 'Anglo-French,' and discuss fully its probable pronunciation during the Middle English period. In Chapter IV, I give some specimens of the language from important sources. In Chapter V, I discuss the effects of the English accent in modifying the pronunciation of Anglo-French words. Chapter VI deals, in detail, with the history of the development of the sounds of the Anglo-French vowels and consonants, with a profusion of examples in every instance; still later changes in such sounds are noticed in Chapter VII.

Chapter VIII deals with the history of our borrowings from 'Central' or continental French, with special reference to the names of imported articles; with a discussion of the language employed by Chaucer, Lydgate, Caxton, Shakespeare, and Dryden. Chapter IX deals with the introduction into English of French words of the modern period, beginning with Dryden in particular; and shows how widely the pronunciation of such words differs from that of words borrowed at earlier dates.

In Chapters X and XI the enquiry is pushed back to a still earlier stage, and the origin of French itself is fully considered. Here again, the principal phonetic changes that have taken place in the development of the original Latin vowels and consonants are fully discussed; with a large number of examples, most of which are so chosen as to throw light upon words still in use in English.

Chapter XII relates to the origin of such French words as

are not derived from Latin, but rather from Greek, Celtic, or Teutonic sources.

In Chapter XIII, the French element is at last dismissed. and we are concerned with such words as were borrowed from Latin immediately, without intervention. I here take occasion to explain the pronunciation of Latin, and to give a good deal of information regarding its phonology which is seldom to be found in elementary books; especially as relates to the 'sonant liquids,' the accentuation, the 'vowelgradation,' the mode of combining consonants, and the like. I must apologise for entering here upon the domain of the specialist in Latin philology; I trust that he will forgive me if I assure him that my main object is to indicate the high value of what he has to teach, and to draw more general attention to the importance of his subject. And it will of course be understood that my own poor remarks do not pretend to be always accurate; indeed, I fear the same apology must be pleaded for all the subjects touched upon throughout the work. I am, as Chaucer says, but 'a lewd compilatour of the labour' of others; and I trust the specialists, in their various departments, will forgive my temerity in attempting the work at all.

Chapter XIV deals with the Italian element in English; and here, again, I give an account of Italian pronunciation, and of the phonetic changes that have taken place in the course of the development of Italian from Latin. The chapter concludes with an 'Italian Word-list,' that is to say, with a list of all English words, in common or well-known literary use, which have been borrowed by us from that language.

Chapter XV deals, in like manner, with the Spanish element, and gives some account of Spanish pronunciation,

and of the phonetic changes noticeable in the development of Spanish from Latin; the whole concluded, in like manner, with a 'Spanish Word-list.'

Chapter XVI deals with the Portuguese element in the same way; and, at this point, my investigation of all words derived from Latin, whether directly or through the medium of some Romance language, is at last concluded.

In Chapter XVII a new source is entered upon, viz. Greek; and I again take occasion to explain the probable pronunciation of ancient Greek, and the known pronunciation of modern Greek; with remarks upon the importance and value of the Greek system of accentuation. Here I once more trespass upon the domain of the classical specialist; and, once more, I ask him to pardon it.

Chapter XVIII deals with Prefixes and Suffixes. A complete list of 'foreign' prefixes in English is given; and an attempt is made to grapple with the difficult, Protean, and bewildering list of Latin suffixes. Examples of Greek suffixes are added.

The foreign elements treated of in the rest of the book are readily perceived. I there attempt to deal, consecutively, with the contributions afforded to English from Slavonic (Ch. XIX); Persian and Sanskrit (Ch. XXI); Semitic, especially Hebrew and Arabic (Ch. XXI); Finno-Tataric, especially Turkish and Hungarian; the Dravidian languages of Southern India, Malay, and other Asiatic languages (Ch. XXII); various African languages (Ch. XXIII); and various American languages (Ch. XXIV).

Chapter XXV gives some illustrations of 'False Etymologies,' showing what we should really endeavour to avoid; and Chapter XXVI gives a few simple but sound 'Canons for Etymology,' which we should really endeavour to bear in

mind. The way in which such canons are daily ignored (in England, but not in Germany) is simply a national disgrace.

I have taken the opportunity of adding an Appendix on a subject which strictly belongs to the former volume, viz. a more exact explanation of the development of vowel-gradation, as exhibited in the conjugation of the Anglo-Saxon strong verbs. This explanation, really due to the researches of Brugmann, sets the whole matter in a clearer light, and it is better to give it here, than to pass it over.

I beg leave to repeat here, what I have already said in my former volume, that 'to the advanced student I can only apologise for handling the subject at all; being conscious that he will find some unfortunate slips and imperfections, which I should have avoided if I had been better trained. or, indeed, trained at all.' I have had so much to unlearn, during the endeavour to teach myself, owing to the extreme folly and badness of much of the English etymological literature current in my earlier days, that the avoidance of errors has been impossible. We have made great advances since the days of Horne Tooke's Diversions of Purley, which I once so long and diligently studied, and since the playful days of Webster's Dictionary, before it was revised by Dr. Mahn, when the derivation of native English words from Ethiopic and Coptic was a common thing; and when I carefully learnt by heart, and shall remember whilst memory lasts, that the E. word catch is derived 'from the Spanish coger.'1

I now conclude my fourth (and probably my last) book upon the subject of English Etymology; for I include among

¹ See the old edition (in 1854) of Ogilvie's *Imperial Dictionary*. The later edition (in 1883) gives the correct derivation.

such my larger and smaller Dictionaries. In taking leave, as it were, of many unknown friends, I for once make bold to say that I hope I have been largely instrumental in introducing much more rigorous methods into our investigation of the subject. It is really high time that scientific arrangement should take the place of mere guesswork and chaos.

I do not append here a list of books consulted, both because I have given one in the former volume, and because it was found more convenient to mention the names of many from time to time, in different chapters, in connexion with the context. I draw attention, in particular, to the list of Anglo-French Texts given in pp. 28–30, though it is by no means exhaustive, and even omits some texts of prime importance, such as La Vie de S. Grégoire, edited by Prof. P. Meyer.

In conclusion, I beg leave to acknowledge my great and sincere obligations to the kind and generous assistance afforded me by friends from whom it is a privilege to learn. Especially am I indebted to Mr. E. Braunholtz, University Lecturer in French, who gave me many useful hints for the chapters on the Romance Languages, and took, altogether, a good deal of trouble in the endeavour to help me to greater accuracy; to Professor Postgate, who assisted me in some points relating to Latin etymology; and to Dr. Peile, master of Christ's College, and Reader in Comparative Philology. I have also received kindly advice, as regards Slavonic, from Mr. Morfill, Reader in Slavonic at Oxford; and, as regards Hebrew, Arabic, and Sanskrit, from Professor Kirkpatrick, Professor Bensly, and Professor Cowell. I have also received some corrections from Mr. Mayhew. But I hope it may be clearly understood, in justice to these distinguished scholars, that the sole responsibility for the statements in the following pages rests upon myself. Many good hints are theirs; but the blunders are all my own.

For the copious Index of Words, which I have carefully revised, I am indebted to my daughters, Clara L. Skeat and Ethel G. Skeat.

ABBREVIATIONS AND SIGNS.

- A. F.—Anglo-French; the 'Norman' dialect as it was developed in England. (I am obliged to reject the usual term 'Anglo-Norman,' because I find that Englishmen confuse 'Anglo-Norman' with the dialect of Normandy itself. Dr. Murray has adopted the same term for the same reason; see p. x of the General Explanations prefixed to the New English Dictionary. And see p. 5 below.)
- A. S.—Anglo-Saxon; the Wessex or Southern dialect of the oldest English.
- M. E.—Middle-English; chiefly of the thirteenth and four-teenth centuries.
 - E.-Modern English.
- F.—French; O. F.—Old French. Other abbreviations, such as Lat. (Latin), Gk. (Greek), Ital. (Italian), Span. or S. (Spanish), Port. (Portuguese), and the like, will be readily understood.

The following signs are introduced to save space:-

- < is to be read as 'is derived from,' or 'derived from,' or 'is a later form than.' (Compare its ordinary algebraical meaning of 'is less than.')
- > is to be read as 'produces' or 'becomes,' or 'is the original form of,' or 'is an earlier form than.' (Compare its usual algebraical meaning of 'is greater than.')

- * prefixed to a word signifies that it is a theoretical form, evolved by known principles of development.
 - √ signifies 'Aryan (i.e. Indo-European) root.'

PRONUNCIATION.

The pronunciation of Anglo-French, Italian, Spanish Portuguese, Latin, and Greek is approximately indicated by the use of the same 'broad romic' symbols as were used in the former volume (p. 336). Most of the symbols for the vowel-sounds are explained at p. 37; and other symbols can be readily understood from the list of Modern English words given at p. 126, and from the notes on the pronunciation of Latin at p. 269, and of Italian at p. 302. I here repeat the list of symbols, for the reader's convenience:—

a represents the sound of short a in a ha!						
aa	as in	father.				
æ	,,	man.				
ae	,,	hair, Mary.				
ai	,,	fly.				
ao	>>	fall.				
au	,,	now.				
e	73	bed, met.				
ee	"	e in vein.				
ei	"	v <i>ei</i> n.				
ə (unaccented)	,,	China.				
99	,,	burn.				
i	,,	szt.				
ii	,,	ween.				
0	,,	not.				
oi	**	boil.				
ou	"	no.				
π	,,	full.				
un	"	fool.				
У	,,	G. schützen.				
уу	**	G. grün.				

Whenever these symbols are used to represent pronunciation, they are enclosed between marks of parenthesis. Thus the E. word queen is pronounced as (kwiin). The symbols (b, d, f, j, k, l, m, n, p, t, v, w, z) denote the usual modern E. sounds. (g) is always hard, as in game, get, gig, go, gun. (kw) denotes the sound of qu in queen. (s) is always voiceless, as in sin. I also use (ch) for ch in church; (sh) for sh in shall; (th) for th in thin; (dh) for th in thine; (wh) for wh in Northern E. what; (zh) for z in azure; (ng) for ng in sing; (ngg) for ng in linger.

We may arrange the consonants as follows:

Voiceless consonants: (k, ch, t, th, p, f, s, sh, wh.) Voiced consonants: (g, j, d, dh, b, v, z, zh, w.)

The following simple rules are often useful.

Rule 1. Voiceless consonants combine with voiceless ones, and voiced with voiced. Exx. cats (kæts), where t and s are voiceless; dogs (dogz), where g and z are voiced.

Rule 2. In such combinations, the latter sound is usually unchanged in compounds, but the former often gives way. Ex. cupboard (kəb'əəd); where the dot denotes the position of the accent. But the latter sound gives way when it is a mere suffix; as in dogs (dogz), looked (lukt).

Rule 3. A voiceless sound often changes to the corresponding voiced one, as when s becomes z in dogs (dogz), from A.S. docgas (dog·gas). This is called 'voicing.'

Rule 4. When one consonant is pronounced instead of another, a voiceless consonant is replaced by a voiceless one or a voiced one by a voiced one; and not otherwise. Ex. the thing (dhe thing) is sometimes pronounced by foreigners as (zii sing). This is called 'substitution'; (z) being substituted for (dh), and (s) for (th). No one says (sii zing).

According to the above symbols, (ae) denotes the Italian

long 'open' e, and (ao) denotes the Italian long 'open' o; the corresponding 'close' sounds are denoted by (ee) and (oo). But it is sometimes convenient to denote the open sounds by (e) and (o), or by (e) and (o); and the close ones by (e) and (o), or by (e) and (o); as these can be used singly for short sounds, and can be doubled, or followed by a mark of accentuation, for long ones. See pp. 132, 193 (8), 198, and 302.

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- P. 31, l. 9 from bottom. For sasentir read assentir.
- P. 35, ll. 22, 23. For a slight sound read a slight nasal sound.
- P. 43, I. 5 from bottom. For in to read into.
- P. 84, § 56 (2). Note that *gredil* is not an example of the change from el to il, but only of a change from e to i.
 - P. 114, last line but one. For slæn dee read slæn daa.
 - P. 127, middle column, l. 6. For (jyge, jnjə) read (jyjə, jujə).
 - P. 154, l. 10. For phthysic read phthisic.
 - P. 235, l. 16. For capasm read capsam.
 - P. 277, l. 10 from bottom. For the e-series read the e-series.
 - P. 283, l. 3 from bottom. For πρασον read πράσον.
 - P. 286, 1. 4 from bottom. For set (3) read set (c).
 - P. 360, l. 9. Omit comma after But. In l. 12, omit But.
 - P. 367, l. 4 from bottom. For $\gamma y = \xi$ read $\gamma y = \zeta$.
 - P. 369, l. 15. For pharanx read pharynx.
 - P. 371, l. I. For νέκ-ειν read νέμ-ειν.
 - P. 378, Il. 4 and 8. Insert commas after neglect and Oc.
 - P. 386, l. 16. For matr-io read *matr-io.
 - P. 386, l. 4 from bottom. For n-eo read -n-eo.
 - P. 389, last line. For all oblique read most of the oblique.
 - P. 392. Under I, dele is-to. Under M, dele min and mn.
 - P. 395, l. 6 from bottom. For dat. pl. read dat. du. or dat. dual.
 - P. 405, l. 4. For gutterals read gutturals.
 - P. 412, l. 11. For mascadine read muscadine.
 - P. 429, last line. For 1628 read 1688.
 - P. 437, l. 8. For gucyavo read guayavo.

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WITH OTHER CORRECTIONS.

- *** For some of the following notes I am indebted to many friendly, and a few rather captious criticisms. I do not notice every point. Thus, at p. 380, I am bidden to say that 's is intrusive in the spelling of island'; but snrely 's is intrusive in island' is enough for all who can pronounce the word.
 - P. xv. CH. II. § 7. For languages read language.
 - P. xxvi. CH. XV (first section). For § 246 read § 264.
 - P. 4, 1. 3. For adopted read accepted.
- P. 21, l. 3. Read whilst Katharine was supposed to be formed from a Greek adjective.
- P. 23, footnote, last line. For this read our pronunciation, and given to some of our symbols such values as they have nowhere else.
 - P. 25, l. 18. For plural read plural suffix.
- P. 27, l. 3. Note—the symbol v had sometimes a graphic value, as when, e. g. vnto was written for unto; here vn is not easily misread, whereas un (in MSS.) is indistinct. But we also find vs for us, vse for use, where nothing was gained by employing v.
 - P. 29, l. 14. For have been saying read be now saying.
- P. 29, note 4. For is now written read is now usually written. (Suggested exception: M. E. hoj, a hill, is now spelt how.) But where does hoj occur? Hogh is in Cursor Mnndi, 15826; and ho in Anturs of Arthur, § V. Of course hoj is so possible M. E. spelling; but let us have the reference.
 - P. 32, last line. For There were read There was.
- P. 38, 1. 17. Read A. S. hand-a, hand-e, hond-e, dat., &c. (Cf. Mark xiv. 41.)
- P. 44, col. 3, l. II. For féoh read feoh. Last line; for geóguð read geoguð.
- P. 52, note 2, last line; for 'as ê in F. bête' read 'as ê in F. été, but longer.

- P. 57, l. 5 from bottom. Add-Cf. pole, A. S. pāl; Lat. pālus (p. 437).
- P. 58, l. z. For difficulty read difficulty. L. 10 from bottom; delequean.
- P. 59, l. 16. For our ee really read our modern ee really. L. 20; read became M. E. reek (reek), later reek (riik), as in note 1, which &c.
 - P. 60, 1. 13. Read A. S. i = Lat. ī.
 - P. 63, l. 8. Read represent (even unrounded) short u.
 - P. 71, l. 5. For due to read all with an.
 - P. 79, l. 9. For usally read usually.
 - P. 89, 1. 18. For G. Boot read G. Boot.
 - P. 102, l. 16. For extinct it read extinct in.
 - P. 108, l. 15. For tweir read tveir.
- P. 110, l. 5. Add—But compare the examples apple, clip, thorp, deep, at p. 137.
 - P. 117, l. 11. For fader (not *father) read fadar (not *fathar).
 - P. 147, l. 5. For patar read pitar.
- P. 148, l. 14. For but if it precedes the position of the accent, read otherwise.
 - P. 151, l. 9 from bottom. For weakening read change.
- P. 153, l. 3. For 'pl. lid-on' read 'pl. lid-en, also lid-on, lid-an (see Sievers, A. S. Gram. § 365).
 - P. 155, l. 16. For *lisan read *leisan.
- P. 158, l. 11. Add—Sleep occurs as a weak verb in O. Mercian; see p. 44.
- P. 168, l. 9. For 'Danish Infin. far-en' read 'Danish Infin. far-e.' In note 2, for 'the vowels i, u' read 'the vowels e, o.' [See p. 163, § 143]
- P. 169, l. 1, coll. 3, 4. For dronk-um, dronk-ano read drunk-um, drunk-ano.
- P. 173, l. 2 is correct. I am asked to explain the irregularity. It may suffice to point out that G. ei has two values. E. g. A. S. stān, G. Stein; A. S. wīn, G. Wein. See p. 170.
 - P. 183, l. 4 from bottom. For pt. t. read pp.
- P. 203, l. 17. Her we might add—'E. sully, A. S. sylian, from A. S. sol, mire.'
- P. 208, l. 18. Dele precise. [In fact the Lat, citis, with short u, differs in gradation.]
 - P. 212, l. 4 from bottom. For cūtis read cŭtis.

- P. 228, l. 3. For LEK-YA read LÊK-YA.
- P. 231, l. 21. For HLI read HLEI.
- P. 232 l. 4. For Aryan MAD read Tent. MA.
- P. 232, l. 6. Add—So also $l\bar{e}s$, a meadow, Tudor E. leese, lees, mod. E. lee (with dropped s), as being confused with lea (A. S. $l\bar{e}ah$); dat. $l\bar{e}swe$, prov. E. leasowe, a pasture.
 - P. 268, II. 12-16. Dele from Bo-th to bei-de. [See p. 456, 1. 19.]
 - P. 273, 1. 6. Dele for YONS-TO.
 - P. 289, 1. 4. For -it-er read -it-.
 - P. 291, l. 11. Dele shire.
 - P. 304, l. 1. For pah read páh.
 - P. 310, 1. 7. For it is read the form stone is.
 - P. 312, l. 6. For brether-en read brethr-en, formerly brether-en.
- P. 325, last three lines. For 'prefix a-' read 'prefix av-'; for 'F. a' read 'F. av-'; and for 'Unfortunately, it' read 'Unfortunately, the a-.'
- P. 326, ll. 2-4. Read—'If then the prefix adv- in adv-ance can be said to represent anything, it must be taken to represent a Latin prefix adb-.' [In fact, there is such confusion that it can hardly be put clearly.]
 - P. 336, 1. 9 from bottom; col. 2. For 'fly' read 'fly.'
- P. 339, l. 7. [I ought to say 'Aizə,' with (z), as the word is German. But I was *especially taught*, when young, to say 'Aisə'; and now I do it from habit. So there is no misprint here, as cavillers suggest.] In l. 13, read haossmen.
- P. 340: coll. 1 and 2, l. 21. In this line read—(OLD ENGLISH) hol (hol)—(MIDDLE ENGLISH) hool (haol).
 - P. 352. For 13. Vowel influence read 13. Consonantal influence.
 - P. 363, 1. 15. For distinct values read distinct origins.
 - P. 364, l. 12. Dele g > j (ge).
 - P. 368, 1. 13. For nospyrl read nospyrl.
- P. 371, 1. 8 from hottom. Dele A. S. angnægl, E. agnail. [For here is no 'loss of n,' but a change from (simple) ng to g.]
 - P. 374, note 2, last line. Dele Indeed, the latter form, &c.
- P. 375, l. 14. Dele lamb [for cf. Goth. lamb]. And in l. 16 dele climb, comb [see klimmen, Kamm in Kluge].
- P. 385, l. 19. N. B. In acre the metathesis is only in the written form.

- P. 385, l. 10 from bottom. For letter or syllable read vowel.
- P. 385, l. 6 from bottom, For accented read unaccented.
- P. 386, ll. 2, 3. N.B. 'drake; for andrake' is an example, not of aphesis, but of aphæresis; the former word only refers to the loss of a single initial vowel.
- P. 386, l. 10 from bottom. Dele agnail. [See correction for p. 371 above.]
- P. 392, l. 11 from bottom. Read purse, a word of Latin origin, from Lat. bursa; it occurs as purs in A. S.
- P. 395, II. 17, 18. N. B. The inserted h in whelk, whortleberry is merely in the spelling of the word; there is no difference made in the pronunciation.
- P. 397, last line. N. B. It is meant that 'the j is then often ignorantly pronounced as z.' Scotchmen commonly know hetter.
- P. 399, ll. 1, 2. Note. But the crowning point of the story is this; that, on examination of the MS., it turns out that the scribe actually wrote *chek matyde* after all! It was, then, *not* any fault of his; but the result of an almost incredible exhibition of perversest ignorance on the part of the editor (Henry Weber).
- P. 403, Il. 12, 13. The sb. wind is pronounced (waind) in poetry, in order to get a rhyme.
- P. 403, l. 7 from bottom. I am told that stage-tradition renders the *i* in *Rosalind* as the diphthong (ai).
 - P. 406, l. 8 from bottom. Dele would.
- P. 423, l. 5 from bottom. Note. But some suppose that gōd-spell, 'good tidings,' was merely due to popular etymology, and that the o was short from the first.
 - P. 424, l. 5 from bottom. Cf. A. S. fearr, a bull.
 - P. 427, Il. 2, 16. For nospyrl read nospyrl; for ordel read ordel.
- P. 428, l. 3. The right derivation of A. S. stalwyroe is, that it is short for stabol-wyroe, i. e. firmly founded, or fixed, steadfast, excellent; we also find A. S. stalan, short for stabelian, to found, fix; see Sievers, O. E. Grammar, ed. Cook, § 202 (3, note 2).
 - P. 440, l. 6. For ταωs read ταωs.
- P. 444, last two lines. The words galloglass, spelt galoglass, and kerne, occur in 'Gardner's Letters of Rich. III. and Hen. VII.,' ii. 67 (Oliphant). See also Oliphant, The New English, i. 363, for examples of catherein (cateran) and caronach.
 - P. 445, notes, last line. For suce read usce.
 - P. 463, Il. 23 and 31. Perhaps dele hale; it is rather O. Northum-

brian than Icelandic; O. North. hál, Matt. ix. 12; M. E. hale, Bruce, i. 137 (but also haill, id. xv. 514).

P. 465, l. 16 should end with a full stop; l. 27, with a comma.

P. 470, notes, last line. For seiri read eiris.

P. 472, ll. 18, 19. Dele ill evil.

P. 477, ll. 22-25. Dele Flotsam, &c. (It is of A. F. origin.)

P. 478, ll. 21-23. Dele Jetsam, &c. (It is of A. F. origin.)

P. 525, col. 2. For lice, 67, 378 read lice, 67, 195, 378.

ENGLISH ETYMOLOGY.

CHAPTER I.

Introductory.

§ 1. In the Introductory Chapter to my former volume on English Etymology¹, I explained that my object was to consider the ETYMOLOGY OF WORDS CURRENT IN MODERN ENGLISH. I next drew attention (in § 4) to the composite nature of the English language; owing to which I had to divide the language roughly into two parts. The former of these I called the native element, with which I have sufficiently dealt in the former volume. The latter I shall call THE FOREIGN ELEMENT, with which I now propose to deal. must explain, however, that these names are merely assumed for present convenience, and that, as a matter of fact, neither of them is to be considered as being exact. Amongst the words comprised in the NATIVE ELEMENT, it was convenient to include, not merely words of native or Anglo-Saxon (or rather of Old Mercian) origin, but several other classes of words, viz. (1) such Latin and Greek words as were already borrowed by us before the Norman Conquest; (2) words of Scandian origin, which were also introduced before that time, though they at first remained in obscurity, as being merely dialectal words, and only found a place in our literature gradually, especially in such compositions as the Ormulum. Havelok, the Cursor Mundi, the works of Robert of Brunne

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¹ Principles of English Etymology. First Series. The Native Element. Oxford (Clarendon Press), 1887. As I shall have frequent opportunity to refer to this, I shall call it 'vol. i.'

nd Richard Rolle de Hampole, and the like; and (3) the canty remains of Celtic. It was further found convenient to reat of the words borrowed from other foreign Teutonic ources besides the Scandian, such as Dutch, Friesic, and Jerman. In this way the NATIVE ELEMENT was extended so is to include all the Teutonic element, together with such latin and Greek words as were absorbed into that element at in early period, as well as the not very numerous Celtic vords, which were introduced at various dates. I know of no better way of dividing the subject, so as to render the investigation of it practically manageable.

§ 2. From what has been said in the last section, it will be easy to deduce the classes of words to be considered in the present volume, which I shall here collect into one rather niscellaneous group, at the same time giving it the title of THE FOREIGN ELEMENT. It will necessarily contain: (1) words of French origin; (2) words derived immediately from Latin and Greek, later than the Norman Conquest; (3) words porrowed from the various Romance languages exclusive of French, viz. the Italian, Spanish, and Portuguese; (4) words porrowed from other Aryan languages besides Latin and Greek; and (5) the miscellaneous words borrowed from various non-Aryan tongues. Of course the words in the ourth and fifth classes can easily be separated into numerous sets, but we can do that when we come to deal with them. The above classification is quite sufficient for the present, and shall deal with the various classes nearly in the above order. A sufficient list of the main words included in the FOREIGN ELEMENT is given in my larger Etymological Dictionry, 2nd ed., pp. 752-761. Now that I have thus sketched out the general plan of the volume in a way which can easily be apprehended, I at once proceed to deal with the first of he above classes, viz. that which includes the very numerous and useful words which came to us, at various times, from the FRENCH.

CHAPTER II.

ON THE INTRODUCTION OF FRENCH WORDS.

§ 3. Chronology. In vol. i. § 5, I have already observed that, 'in considering the various sources from which the vocabulary of modern English has been drawn, our most important help is chronology'; and I proceeded to illustrate what was meant by this. The same remark applies to our various borrowings from French, inasmuch as there has been an almost continual, but not constant, influx of French words into English for more than eight centuries. During that period, both the English and French languages have suffered considerable alteration, both in inflexion and pronunciation; and, unless we can first of all approximately ascertain the date at which a given word is introduced, we shall wholly fail to gain any clear knowledge of the matter. This caution applies pre-eminently to words of French origin, as a moment's consideration will shew. For, during the same period, Latin and Greek have been nearly at a stand-still, since we have only borrowed words from the literary forms of those languages, which have remained almost unvaried; and again, our loan-words from Italian, Spanish, &c., are mostly taken from the modern forms of those languages, later than A.D. 1500 (vol. i. § 10). But, when we are dealing with French, it may make a great difference whether we borrowed a word in the thirteenth century or in the nineteenth; and that, too, in more ways than one. We have. in fact, to consider differences of dialect as well as changes of pronunciation in the same dialect from time to time.

rder to see why such care is needed, it will be necessary to ake a rapid survey of the history of the whole matter.

- History. The introduction into England of men tho could speak French had already taken place before the Conquest, viz. in the time of Edward the Confessor. atisfied with promoting the Norman Robert, who had been bbot of Jumièges by the Seine, to the bishopric of London, ing Edward again promoted him, in 1050, to be Archishop of Canterbury 1. This and other similar favours hewn to the Normans might soon have had a considerable afluence upon English, had it not been for the decree of the English Witan (counsellors), who, about a year later, outwed the Norman archbishop and all the so-called 'Frenchnen,' and so kept the French language out of the island till ne famous year 1066. It is highly necessary to remember nat the Normans or Northmen were really Danes, who first ook possession of Normandy about 150 years before their onquest of England, and in a very short time forgot their Danish and took to speaking French. In the course of bout three centuries these same Danes gradually forgot neir French, and took to speaking English, a language with hich, curiously enough, their original tongue had an exemely close alliance. The way in which the French-speakng Dane was so long kept apart, by the mere accident of inguage, from his English cousin, is one of the most curious icts in history. But when the fusion of the races at last ook place, it was complete; the close kinship in blood and ne acceptance of a common language produced, in due ourse of time, that indistinguishably consolidated people thich has achieved such wonders, and now wields so vast an mpire.
- § 5. Immediately after the Norman Conquest, the Northrn dialect of the French languages, as acquired by the

¹ Freeman, Old Eng. History, 1875, p. 258. In the Annals of ingland, the date given is 1051, as in the A.S. Chronicle.

Normans, became the language of the court and of the upper classes of society, and so remained for about three centuries. In consequence of its isolation from France, this particular dialect was developed in a manner peculiarly its own. It has been variously named Norman, Anglo-Norman, and (loosely enough) French, but it is absolutely necessary to have an exact and scientific title for it, and I have found it most convenient to call it Anglo-French. It is a mistake to call it 'Norman,' because that might mean the language of Normandy, with which it only coincided in the reign of William the Conqueror, and at no other time; and even 'Anglo-Norman' is sure to be shortened to 'Norman,' and To call it 'French' or 'Old French' is not misunderstood. sufficiently distinctive; for there were many dialects of French in France itself. But, if we call it 'Anglo-French' (conveniently denoted by 'A. F.,' corresponding to 'A. S.' for Anglo-Saxon), we then know precisely what we mean. Anglo-French is the dialect, or the language (it matters little which we consider it) which was introduced into England in 1066, and was there developed, in a manner that was largely, but not altogether, independent of foreign influence, so that in the course of a century or two, it varied more or less from every form of French as spoken in France, inclusive even of the dialect of Normandy with which it had, at the outset, coincided. Unless this fundamental fact is clearly comprehended and remembered, it is hopeless to understand the matter aright. It is the more important, because MSS. in Anglo-French are really numerous, and furnish sufficient material for a history of the development of this important variety. I am not aware that any real progress has been made towards such a study of the subject as shall enable us to date Anglo-French MSS. by the spellings employed in them, with at least as much precision and certainty as we can date English MSS. by the same means. Yet such an attempt ought certainly to be made; here, indeed, is a

new field for a student who takes a pleasure in philological work.

§ 6. The history of the career of Anglo-French may be briefly told. Not only did it become the court-language immediately upon its introduction, but (what was still more important) it was the language of the law-courts. The early Statutes of the Realm are sometimes written in Latin, but many are in Anglo-French. The first thing that rendered its isolation from the dialects of France almost complete was the loss of Normandy in 1206. In 1242, Henry III lost Poitou, and in 1259 he definitely relinquished all claim to Normandy, which had been practically abandoned fifty-three years before. /In 1307, Edward II made an ill-advised attempt to place Piers Gaveston, the son of a Gascon knight, and other foreigners who were his friends, at the head of the administration of affairs. This doubtless brought home to the barons of England the important reflection that, however much they might speak Anglo-French, they were not Frenchmen themselves: and the next year they were successful in securing the banishment of Gaveston and his companions. In 1337, Edward III assumed the title of king of France; in 1338, the French burnt Portsmouth and attacked Southampton, and open war raged between England and France for some thirty years. By this time the difference between Anglo-French and all the forms of continental French was well marked; but Anglo-French was rapidly losing its vogue in England, and English was gaining ground with ever increasing success. In 1362, the triumph of English was secured by the direction of Edward III, that the laws should thenceforth be pleaded in English; and in 1385, the teaching of French (by which we must understand Anglo-French) was definitely abandoned in grammar-schools, as we are informed by Trevisa.1 I suppose that a great change came in with the accession of Richard II in 1377. In all probability, Edward III

¹ See the passage quoted in vol. i. § 26.

spoke Anglo-French only, and the language lingered at the court till his death.\(^1\) But Richard II was probably bi-lingual. having some English and speaking French perfectly well, in the estimation of Froissart (Chron. bk. iv. c. 64), which means, doubtless, that his French was of the continental type, or, as Froissart calls it, La Langue d'Oïl (bk. iv. c. 62). In 1483. Richard III introduced a sensible reform, whereby even the Statutes of Parliament were, for the first time, drawn up in English. After 1385, or at any rate after 1400, Anglo-French was practically dead as a spoken language, and could never be revived.2 It has bequeathed to us certain lawphrases and legal words, which survive with a traditional or wholly modern pronunciation; but the only part of it that has a real vitality, consists of the words which were saved from extinction by being incorporated into the English language. These words are very numerous and important, and full of interest.

§ 7. As for the time when Anglo-French words found their way into English, we may roughly date it as being from about A.D. 1100 to about A.D. 1400. During these three centuries they were continually drifting into English, but by no means at a uniform rate. The number of words known to have been introduced into English writings during the former half of the twelfth century is only about a dozen. If Dr. Morris is right in considering the 'Lambeth Homilies' and the 'Trinity College Homilies' as older than A.D. 1200, then the influx of

¹ Some of his letters are preserved by Robert of Aveshury. See Warton, Hist. E. Poetry, sect. 7, first footnote, for the anecdote of his use of an English motto, obviously quite an exceptional circumstance.

² See Craik, Eng. Lit. i. 182 (ed. 1864). He notes that the earliest known indenture in English is dated 1343 (Charlton, Hist. of Whitby, p. 247); and the oldest English instrument in Rymer (vii. 526) is dated 1368. The earliest example of English in parliamentary proceedings is the petition of the mercers of London, in 1388 (Rot. Parl. iii. 225). The only English proclamation of Henry III is dated Oct. 18, 1258; and is quite exceptional.

such words during the latter half of the twelfth century is represented by more than a hundred words. In the two texts of Lavamon's 'Brut,' written early in the thirteenth century, and amounting in all to more than 56,000 short lines, the number of words of Anglo-French origin is only about 150. But as the century advanced, the facility with which such words were admitted rapidly increased, and we may probably consider the latter half of the thirteenth century and the former half of the fourteenth century (or from about 1250-1350) as the period when A. F. words were introduced into English by hundreds, and were readily adopted; after which the stream again gradually slackened, as the want was felt to be more or less supplied. By the end of the century it had nearly ceased to flow, inasmuch as the source itself was running low. At this point we are confronted by a fresh phenomenon. In the reigns of Edward III and Richard II (or from about 1340-1400), the war with France, and the study of continental French literature by such authors as Chaucer¹ and Lydgate, opened the fountain of a fresh supply; although the chief writer through whom continental forms began to influence the language to quite an appreciable extent, was the celebrated William Caxton. Just as the Anglo-French source was failing, the continental source was resorted to, and English has ever since been increased by an influx of such words, mostly belonging to the Central French dialect (which includes the Parisian), from the fifteenth century. especially after 1470, down to the present day. It is manifest that these words really belong to a different category, and to a later period. The Anglo-French was developed from the old Northern or Norman dialect of France, and is of an archaic character, having been originally introduced before A.D. 1100; its nearest relationship is to the continental French of the oldest period, or what is generally called Old French. But the borrowings from Central French mainly belong ¹ See note at end of the chapter.

to later periods, viz. to the periods known as Middle French and Modern French. Modern French is usually taken to begin with Villon and Philippe de Comines, whose works belong to the close of the fifteenth century, and immediately preceded the period usually called the Renaissance, in the time of Francis the First (1515-47). This agrees so nearly with the date 1500, which I have taken as the beginning of the Modern Period of English, that I shall, for the purposes of the present work, take the same date to represent the beginning of Modern French. From all this it follows that we may, with sufficient exactness, consider the borrowings from France, at least during the fifteenth century, as having been made from the Central French dialect of the Middle French period, and all later borrowings as being made from the same dialect of the Modern French period, i. e. from what is, in common parlance, loosely called by the simple name of 'French.' The symbols for these respectively may be simply taken to be 'M.F.' and 'F.' These symbols are descriptive of the period, the dialect being understood to be Parisian. At the same time, we have to keep in mind the fact that some M.F. words were imported quite early in the fourteenth century, or even earlier, owing to continental trade, and to the study of such sciences as medicine, astrology, and alchemy. See Trench, English Past and Present, Lect. III. Lastly, the modern French has itself suffered slight alterations, and it may sometimes be convenient to denote the earlier stage of it by 'Tudor French,' i.e. French in use during the Tudor period of English, or, roughly speaking, during the sixteenth century.

§ 8. I have endeavoured to make this matter as clear as possible, because until it is apprehended, no satisfactory progress can be made; and I am not aware that the usual reatises on the history of our language are sufficiently

¹ See Saintsbury's Short History of French Literature, Book II, h. I.

explicit on this point. It will not do, in practice, to jumble all our borrowings from the language of France under the indiscriminate name of 'French': but we must rather be guided by historical and chronological considerations, and be thankful that we have such guidance. If I have succeeded in making myself understood, it appears that we must carefully separate our 'French' words into two classes. The former of these contains the Anglo-French (A.F.) words, mostly borrowed before 1400, and related to the 'Old French' (O.F.) of various dialects on the continent. The latter of these contains the Middle-French (M. F.), mostly borrowed during the fifteenth century, and the modern French (F.) words, mostly borrowed during the modern period; all (in general) belonging to the Central French or Parisian dialect. The reason why they are to be separated is that the pronunciation, accentuation, and phonetic laws of the A.F. words are often quite different from those of the M. F. and F. words. The explanations which exactly apply to one class often fail when applied to the other. And now that this separation has been made, it will be possible to treat one class at a time, in separate chapters. Moreover, since the A.F. words are at once the older and the more important, they will be considered first, viz. in Chapters III-VI.

§ 9. A few examples will emphasize the above statement, and put the whole matter in a clearer light. We may take such a pair of words as feast and fête, and proceed to investigate them. Fête belongs to the modern E. period, and does not even appear in Johnson's Dictionary. It precisely coincides with the mod. F. fête, and even preserves the mod. F. circumflex and pronunciation 1. But feast answers to M. E. feste, in Chaucer's Squieres Tale, l. 6r, and is identical with the A. F. feste, occurring in the Statutes of the Realm,

¹ But it is often pronounced as *feet*, naturally enough, by such as know no French. I have heard it so pronounced by country people.

vol. i. p. 162; A.D. 1311. The mod. F. fête is a modification of the O. F. feste, so that the two words are merely variants of one and the same word, and may be called doublets, as in vol. i. § 389. Their difference in form is solely due to the different ways in which they have passed into English, at widely different dates. Or, suppose that we have to enquire into the origin of oyster, which appears as oistre in Chaucer's Prologue, l. 182. This is simply identical with the A. F. oistre, in the Liber Custumarum, p. 407, which is even spelt oyster, as at present, in the Liber Albus, p. 244. But surely the mod. F. huître exhibits a startling difference in form and sound.

§ 10. Some of the differences in pronunciation between A. F. and F. are so clear and well-defined, that a knowledge of them will often (but not always) enable us to guess at once to which class a given word is to be referred. pronunciation of A.F. will be dealt with more fully in Chapter III, but I may here draw attention to a few of its peculiarities, by way of shewing the kind of phenomena which we may expect to find. The letters j (formerly written i) and w, and the compound symbols ch and qu had the same sounds in A.F., and in some (at least) of the dialects of O. F., as in M. E. and modern English. Greatly as the pronunciation of English has changed from time to time, it has faithfully preserved these old sounds, whereas modern F. has failed to do so. The old j, as in English judge, has become zh (z in azure) in F. The old ch, as in English chamber, has become sh in F., as in F. chose, pronounced with the sh of the E. shows. The old qu, as in E. quit, has become k in F., as in F. qui (pronounced as E. key). (The old w, as in E. warden, has disappeared in F., its place being supplied by g, as in F. gardien. Hence it is obvious, on the face of it, that our words judge, chamber, quit, warden, cannot possibly be derived from the F. juge, chambre, quitte, or gardien, but must be old words of the M.E. period, and of A. F. origin. In fact, the M. E. forms were,

respectively, iuge, chambre, quit, and warden; and the A. F. forms were precisely the same. The examples judge and chamber are particularly instructive, because the facts about their etymology cannot be detected by the eye, i.e. by the spelling, but only by the ear, i. e. by the pronunciation. Indeed, a further consideration of the word judge may teach us one more fact. For the symbol dge denotes precisely the same sound as the symbol i, and precisely the same sound as the M. E. and A. F. g, when followed by e. This is because the A. F. and O. F. and M. E. g., when followed by e or i, is in the same case as i; it was formerly sounded as j, but in mod. F. has become zh (or z in azure). Hence many E. words beginning with ge or gi (where g=j) are of A. F. origin; such words are general, gentle, jest (formerly geste), giant, gist. The rule is not universal, because a late word may be made to conform, as regards its initial sound, with the majority; still we see a striking exception in a word so obviously modern as E. gendarme 1 (pronounced as romic zhondaam). By way of further illustration, I here throw together a few examples, taken almost at random, of words in which the true source is correctly indicated by the modern English pronunciation.

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WORDS OF A. F. ORIGIN.
                                WORDS OF LATE F. ORIGIN.
 (Note the peculiarities.)
                                  (Note the peculiarities.)
  chandler (E. ch).
                                      chandelier (F. ch).
  chapel (E. ch).
                                      chaperon (F. ch).
  broach (E. ch).
                                      brochure (F. ch).
  message (E. -age).
                                      mirage (F. i, -age).
  rage (E. -ge).
                                      rouge (F. -ge).
                                      quadrille (F. qu).
  quart (E. qu).
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¹ It is, however, not *quite* so modern as might be expected. It was probably introduced by Dryden. 'A *Gendarme* struck on his Headpiece with the Truncheon of his Lance'; History of the League, tr. by Mr. Dryden, London, 1684, 8vo., p. 222. Perhaps it went out of use, and has been re-introduced more recently.

WORDS OF A.F. ORIGIN. WORDS OF LATE F. ORIGIN. (Note the peculiarities.) (Note the peculiarities.) corpse (ps kept). 20.2 was corps (ps lost). corse hostel (s kept). hotel (s lost). The hi is due pelisse (ss kept). flourish (sh for ss). medley (d for sd). 1 mêlée (s lost). to chund (rondeau (F. -eau). roundel (O. F. -el). fame (E. a). vase (a doubtful). feeble (E. ee). foible (E. oi, for F. oi). chine (E. chi). machine (F. chi). nice (E, i). police (F. i). vine (E. i). ravine (F. i). beauty (E. eau = ew). beau (F. eau). cause (E, au). mauve (F. au). boil, verb (E. oi). patois (F. oi). hour (E. ou). tour (F. ou). suit (E. ui). suite (F. ui).

I much regret to find that some Dictionaries mark the old word *chivalry* with ch = sh, which is detestable. It has obviously been influenced, to its disadvantage, by the late word chevalier. When we observe the great varieties of pronunciation in the same collocation of symbols, as e.g. in vine and ravine, hour and tour, suit and suite, &c., it becomes plain that, in teaching children to read, they should be made to understand how necessary it is to learn the sounds of the French alphabet as well as those of the English one. If our teachers are unequal to this task, they might at any rate acquire such French sounds as are of constant occurrence, viz. those represented by such symbols as ch, ge, qu, au, é, eau, ou, ui. Children would then understand that they must be prepared to treat such a combination as chine (when standing alone, or in the word ma-chine) from either an English or a French point of view; and that there is some sort of reason for such variable treatment. I fear

¹ The d is excrescent; A. F. meslee (with s=z) became mesdlee, and then medlee.

this savours too much of common sense to be at all generally adopted. I suspect that the worshippers of our 'spelling as it is' will neither allow our spelling to be altered, nor permit it, while adhered to, to be explained. Precisely on the same principle, I was made, when at school, to accentuate Greek words correctly, whilst carefully kept in ignorance as to what the accents meant. But I now suspect that my masters did not know themselves.

§ 11. There is one other point about the words of Anglo-French origin that is far too important to be omitted, viz. the usefulness of such words as constituting part of our vocabulary. The usual views as to the value of the 'native element' of our language are well expressed in an admirable passage in Dr. Bosworth's Preface to his smaller A. S. Dictionary, a passage founded upon and epitomised from an able article which appeared in the Quarterly Review for October, 1839, pp. 222-232.

'Not only in the number of words, but in their peculiar character and importance, as well as their influence on grammatical forms, it must be universally acknowledged that Anglo-Saxon constitutes its principal strength. At the same time that our chief peculiarities of structure and idiom are essentially Anglo-Saxon, from the same copious fountain have sprung—words designating the greater part of objects of sense—the terms which occur most frequently in discourse, and which recall the most vivid conceptions, as, sun, moon, earth, fire, spring, day, night, heat, cold, sea, land, &c.,-words expressive of the dearest connexions, the strongest and most powerful feelings of nature, from our earliest days, as, mother, father, sister, brother, wife, home, childhood, play, &c.,—the language of business, of the shop, the market, the street, the farm, and of everyday life,—our national proverbs,—our language of humour, satire, and colloquial pleasantry,—the most energetic words we can employ whether of kindness or invective,—in short, words expressive of our strongest emotions

nd actions, in all the most stirring scenes of life, from the radle to the grave. Every speaker or writer then, who rould not only convince the understanding but touch the eart, must avoid Latinised expressions, and adopt Angloaxon, which from early use and the dearest associations xcite emotion and affect the heart. Though a word of atin or Anglo-Saxon origin may be equally well undertood, "the one" (says the Reviewer) "shall impart the most ivid, and the other the most frigid conception of the neaning. The difference is as that between the winter's nd the summer's sun. The light of the former may be as lear and dazzling as that of the latter, but the genial warmth 3 gone."' There can be little doubt as to the general oundness of the above advice, but I wish to point out that t is easy to exaggerate it; for it would be absurd for us to estrict our choice of words to those of Anglo-Saxon origin xclusively. Hundreds of words of Anglo-French origin. wing to their early introduction into the language, and the horoughness with which they have become incorporated in thave quite as strong a claim to our attention, and are ound, in practice, to be quite as useful in their way, as are hose of truly native origin. In Lecture VI of Marsh's Lectures on the English Language, a work of great merit, umerous extracts from various authors are analysed, in rder to exhibit 'the numerical percentage of words from lifferent sources.' We thus learn, for example, that Shakepeare uses, on an average, about 85 per cent of Anglosaxon, and about 15 per cent of other words, whilst in the authorised Version of the Bible the proportion of Anglosaxon words rises to about 97 per cent of the whole. This 3 certainly a good initial way of estimating the style of a iven author; but the value of the test will be greatly enanced if, in a second estimate, the number of words of Anglo-French origin can also be computed, and carried to he writer's credit. It makes a good deal of difference in an

author's style, whether he supplements his 'Anglo-Saxon' words from the Anglo-French source only, or from other sources as well; and I throw out this hint for the guidance of such critics as are curious in these matters. A good writer who wishes to be generally understood and has some self-respect, will naturally and unconsciously so choose his vocabulary that it will be mainly composed of words of Anglo-Saxon¹ and Anglo-French origin; he will only adopt Latinisms or modern French words when he has to express ideas so modern that the two former sources fail him; which will not, or should not, be very often. The following extract sets the common-sense view of the matter in a clear light, and is deserving of attention. 'To know how to employ, in the due degree and on the proper occasions, either the Saxon or the classical elements of our language,when to aim at strength, and when at refinement of expression—to be energetic without coarseness and polished without affectation—is the most conclusive proof of a highly cultivated taste.'2

§ 12. By way of example, let us consider the language of that exquisite lyric poem by Tennyson, entitled 'The Sea-Fairies.' It might be objected by a purist who merely regarded the words in it as 'native' or 'foreign,' that it contains no less than twenty-four 'foreign' words. But let us look at the matter a little more closely, and enquire into the precise nature of such 'foreign' words. We at once find that no less than eighteen of these are excellent M.E. and A.F. words, that were in use before 1400. These are: mariner, faces, rounded³, prest (=pressed), mused, music. fountain, carol, dances, forms, poising, colour, cave, pleasure,

¹ Anglo-Saxon must here be taken to include the closely related words of Scandian origin, of the Early English period.

² Edinburgh Review, Oct. 1839, p. 239.

³ Round, as an adjective, is M. E. and A. F.; the addition of the suffix -ed is quite legitimate.

jubilee, clear, chords¹, stay; and there are but six words left. Of the remaining six, gambolling, crimson, -toned, and frolic (which is borrowed from Dutch) all belong to pure Elizabethan English: whilst the two latest words, viz. furl and curve, were both in use before 1700, and are about two centuries old. If then we cast in the Anglo-French words amongst the 'native' ones, the number of foreign words is really only six. What the six words are, provided they do not strike the ear as strange or affected, does not greatly matter; but even here we find that none of them is later than 1700; so that the poem is absolutely free from all 'neologisms,' which is the modern word for newfangled terms. From a linguistic point of view, its 'English' is absolutely pure; and this fact, taken in conjunction with its exquisite melody, accounts for the faultlessness of its form. We here recognise, in fact, the hand of a master.

§ 13. The fact is, that many of the Anglo-French words are as necessary and as useful as the Anglo-Saxon ones; there are even cases where they are indispensable. word hour, for example, cannot be replaced by any other term, because the A.S. tid, mod. E. tide, is now used with another meaning. Amongst the ordinal numbers, we have one, the word second, which is at once Anglo-French and indispensable, because the A.S. óder, mod. E. other, is useful in other ways. Further illustrations of this truth will readily be found, and need not be added here. By way of specimens of Anglo-French words, take the following handful of monosyllables, which are amongst the commonest words in the language, viz. art, bar, beak, beast, beef, bill (as in hotel-bill), blame, blue, boil (verb), boot, brief, butt (verb), cage, cap, catch, cause, chain, chair, change, chase, cheer, chief, choice, clear, clerk, coat, coin, cost, count (verb), course, court, crown. crv, cure, dance, dean, debt, doubt, due, duke, ease. It is need-

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¹ Chords is a later spelling of the M.E. cordes, which was used at times like the mod. E. chords.

less to go further. It is certainly possible to write whole sentences, or even whole books, without using a single word of French origin, but this can only be done by avoiding certain subjects and phrases which are really necessary to completeness. In order to illustrate this part of the subject more explicitly, I append below two 'Specimens of English'; in the former of them no word of French origin is allowed to appear, whilst the latter is crowded with French words to such a degree that the proportion of them rises to thirtythree per cent, or a third of the whole.1 The 'Specimens' are taken from ch. xxi. of the 'Outlines of Comparative Philology,' by Schele de Vere, published at New York in 1853. I have, however, modified them in my own way, and made numerous alterations, in order to remove such inaccuracies as occur when the author claims the words flail. tanner, warrior, hauled, plied, launched, market, etc., as native, which they certainly are not. I am not the less indebted to him for the excellent way in which he has seized the salient characteristics of the languages.2

§ 14. Specimen of pure English, in which no foreign words occur. (From Schele de Vere; as above).

The might of the Norman hardly made its way into the home of the Saxon, but drew back at the threshold of his house. There, beside the fire in the kitchen ³ and the hearth in his hall, he met his beloved kindred. The bride, the wife, and the husband, sons and daughters, brothers and sisters, tied to each other by love, friendship, and all kindly feelings, knew nothing dearer than their own sweet home. The Englishman's cows and sheep, still grazing in his fields and meadows, gave him milk and meat, and fleeces of wool. The herds-

¹ The proportion of 'foreign' words in the Preface to Johnson's Dictionary amounts, according to Marsh, to 28 per cent, which is much above the average.

² See Notes and Queries, 7 S. vi. 405, 465.

³ A.S. cycen; borrowed from Lat. coquina.

man watched them in spring and summer; the ploughman drew his furrows with help of oxen or horses, and afterwards harrowed them. At the time of harvest, the busy reaper was at work with his scythe, whilst others gathered and bound up the sheaves: and with all gladness the harvestmen drove the wain, laden with wheat, or oats, or rye, from the field to the The wain had its wheels, each with its nave and spokes and felloes; and the team bent heavily beneath the yoke. In his trade by sea and land, the Englishman still sold and bought; in the small shop, or at the road-side stall, he shewed his goods and had all his dealings. weaver or clothier, baker or miller, saddler or smith, each made his own living in his own way. He lent or borrowed, took his neighbour's word, and with skill and care throve and grew wealthy. Later, when he longed once more for freedom, he readily grasped his weapons, whether axe, or sword, or bill, or spear, or his much-dreaded bow and arrow. horseman leaped without stirrup into the saddle, and slew the foe with deadly swing of sword or the sway of the mighty ax. At sea, the sailors thronged the well-built boats and ships, each of which was thoroughly English, from the keel to the board, and from the helm of the rudder to the top of the mast. They spread the sail to the wind, or rowed with strong long oar. As his fathers had done before him in the land of his birth, the Englishman would not only eat, drink, sleep, play upon the harp or sing his song or glee; but by walking, riding, fishing, and hunting, he still lasted strong and healthy; whilst his lady with her children were busily teaching or learning how to read and to write, to sing and to draw. Even needlework was not forgotten, as the old writers say that by this they shone most in the world. The wisdom of later times was then unknown, but they had their homespun saws, which are still looked upon as wise and true by all mankind; such as-God helps

¹ Not deck; for this was a later term, and borrowed from Dutch.

them that help themselves; lost time is never found again; when sorrow is asleep, wake it not!

It is needless to moralise upon the above passage; we recognise here many of the sterling qualities which help to make the life of the Englishman a life worth living.

§ 15. Specimen of English, crowded with words of French origin. (From Schele de Vere; as above.)

To defend his conquest, the Norman gained possession of the country; and, master of the soil, erected fortresses and castles, and attempted to introduce novel terms. universe and the seasons, the planets and comets, and even the ocean, attest how much was impressed with the seal of the conqueror. Hills became mountains, and dales valleys, streams were called rivers, and woods forests. The deer, the ox, the calf, the swine, the sheep appeared on the table of the noble as venison, beef, yeal, pork, and mutton. Salmon, sturgeon, lamprey, and bream became notable as delicacies; serpents and lizards, squirrels and conies, falcons and herons, quails and pigeons, stallions and hackneys were novel names in the list of the contents of the animal kingdom; whilst the old worts became herbs or vegetables, and included onion and borage, lettuce and sage; together with such flowers as the primrose and violet, peony and gentian, columbine and centaury. New titles of rank and dignity appeared in duke and marquis, count and viscount, baron and baronet, squire and master. The mayor presided at the council above the Saxon alderman. The list of the offices of the government comprised chancellor and peer, chamberlain and ambassador. general and admiral. The king indeed retained his title, but the state and the court became French; the administration was carried on according to the constitution; treaties were concluded by ministers and submitted for approval to the sovereign; the privy council was consulted on the affairs of the empire, and loyal subjects sent representatives to parliament. There the members debated on matters of grave importance, on peace or war; ordered the army and navy, disposed of the national treasury, contracted debts, and had their sessions and their parties. At brilliant feasts and splendid tournaments the flower of chivalry was assembled; heraldry abounded with its foreign terms, emblazoning the shield with pale and fess, chevron and saltire, disposed upon or, argent, gules, azure, vert, sable, or ermine, and covering it with a miscellaneous and marvellous array of heraldic charges, from the lion rampant to the diminutive roundel. At magnificent assemblies beauty and delicious music enchanted the multitude of dancers. A new splendour was added to society, and foreign customs polished the manners and excited the admiration of the ancient inhabitants, who, charmed by such elegance, recognised in their conquerors persons of a superior intelligence; and admiringly endeavoured to imitate their peculiarities and fashions, and even introduced numerous strange terms into a language which was thus rendered singularly complex.

Truly these old Danes were a masterful and many-sided people, with a passion for horses and a capacity for government; and they stayed in France just long enough to acquire an eye for colour and a certain love of gaiety, together with (it must be admitted) a fondness for what, in their own peculiar phrase, was called 'the pleasures of the table.'

§ 16. Note on Chaucer's Prologue, lines 124-6. Chaucer says of the Prioresse:—

'And French she spak ful faire and fetisly, After the scole of Stratford atte Bowe, For French of Paris was to her unknowe.'

I believe that these lines are usually misunderstood. Chaucer is merely stating a linguistic fact, viz. that the Prioresse, being one 'of the old school,' naturally spoke such Anglo-French as was usually spoken and taught in her nunnery at Stratford, a French excellent in its kind, and

in some respects more archaic and truer to the Latin original than the French of Paris, which had but lately risen into importance on the continent as a literary language. And this is all. It is difficult to have patience with the newspaper-writers to whom this is a perennial jest, and who are utterly incapable of distinguishing between the language of the English court under a king who claimed to be also king of France, and the poor jargon taught by the second-rate governesses of the last century, who pretended to teach 'a French never spoken in France,' nor indeed anywhere else. It is charitable to suppose that those to whom this is a joke for ever have no idea what nonsense they are talking. Chaucer must have known—indeed no one knew better that Anglo-French could boast a literature of its own. His own Man of Lawes Tale is taken from the Anglo-French Chronicle of Nicholas Trivet

CHAPTER III.

Some Description of Anglo-French.

§ 17. WE have already seen, in § 7, that there are certain essential differences between Anglo-French and Central (or Parisian) French which render it absolutely necessary to treat them separately. The Anglo-French will be first considered, both because it is of more importance for our purpose and because English borrowings from it took place at an earlier period. It is also necessary to remark here that there is one fundamental difference between Anglo-Saxon and Anglo-French which must be borne in mind. Anglo-Saxon is, practically, an original language, and incapable of being derived from anything else. We can often construct, theoretically, the original Teutonic form of an Anglo-Saxon word; but this is only done by inference, and by a comparison of Anglo-Saxon with other cognate Teutonic dialects. We can sometimes even construct, theoretically, the original Aryan form of the same; but this, again, is only by inference, and by a comparison of primitive Teutonic forms with the cognate Aryan languages. We cannot, in general, trace Anglo-Saxon words back to earlier historical forms; they are as original, in their way, as are Latin, or Greek, or Slavonic, or Sanskrit. We can only derive Anglo-Saxon words from older historical forms when they are actually borrowed from Latin or Greek; as when, for example, the borrowed A. S. cycen, E. kitchen, is derived immediately from the Lat. coquina. But with Anglo-French the case is totally

different. Like all other Romance languages, it is nonoriginal; all the words in it are due to some other language, though the derivations of them are not always known. By far the greatest part of Anglo-French is derived from Latin; but there is a small portion which is of Teutonic origin, and a still smaller portion that is Celtic. When we have traced the E. word land back to the A.S. land, we have practically come to the beginning; any earlier form is a matter of inference. But when we have traced the E. beast back to the A. F. beste, we have not come to the beginning; for the well-known and historical Lat. bestia lies behind it. In the latter case, we have to go through two processes; and, since the laws which regulate the passage of a word from Latin into Anglo-French, and those which regulate the passage of the same word from Anglo-French into modern English, are very different, it will obviously be convenient to keep the two processes apart, and to consider them separately. I shall therefore first of all treat the Anglo-French forms as if they were ultimate and original; it will be easy to find out or to discuss their origin at a later period, when we have already learnt how modern English forms are derived from them.

§ 18. The first thing to be done is to gain a clear idea as to what Anglo-French is like. I have already drawn attention, in § 10, to some striking differences, especially as regards the pronunciation, between this dialect or language and the modern Central French; and perhaps the best way of gaining a clear general notion of the subject is to remember that modern French is quite a different thing from that with which we have now to do, and that we can hardly do worse than allow such knowledge of modern French as we happen to possess to guide, or rather to mislead us in this matter. Just as I have constantly to repeat that Anglo-Saxon is not derived from modern German, so it is necessary to insist that Anglo-French is not derived from modern French. It will be

further necessary to give some specimens of the language, and to explain the chief peculiarities of its pronunciation. This can only be done here to a partial, though perhaps a sufficient extent, because the study of the subject is by no means far advanced. We require to know much more than we do at present before all difficulties can be cleared up. cannot find that any one has attempted, even in a rough way, anything like a sufficient history of this most interesting language. We can readily understand that, in the time of the Conqueror, and for some indefinite time afterwards, the language coincided with that spoken in Normandy; but, being cut off from contact with France by the English Channel,1 whilst it was at the same time in constant contact with Anglo-Saxon, it was developed in a peculiar way of its own, until at length, in the time of Edward III, it was quite distinct from continental French. We require, therefore, to know the exact changes which its forms and pronunciation underwent from time to time; but this problem still remains unsolved, and, I believe, almost unattempted. Yet it must make a considerable difference; for a word borrowed in the time of Edward III might easily yield, in English, a different form to that which it would have given if borrowed in the time of Henry III, and we may thus be entirely misled, especially as to a vowel-sound, if our chronology is in error. I believe I can point out a distinct case of this kind, sufficient to illustrate the point. The original Anglo-French had the remarkable diphthong ei (pronounced probably as ei in vein, or perhaps more distinctly, as in Ital. sei) in places where modern French has oi or ov. Thus the A. F. word for 'law' (F. loi) is lei; for 'king'

¹ Not altogether. Dr. Murray describes it (Dict. p. x) as being 'in its origin a mixture of various Norman and other Northern French dialects, afterwards mixed with and greatly modified by Angevin, Parisian, Poitevin, and other elements, and more and more exposed to the overpowering influence of literary French;' yet as having 'received, on this side the Channel, a distinct and independent development, following, in its phonology especially, English and not continental tendencies.'

(F. roi) is rei or reis, as in the title of the Laws of William the Conqueror, printed in Thorpe's Ancient Laws of England, i. 466. Hence were formed the adjectives leial, later leal (Laws of William, § 15) and reial. From the former of these we have the mod. E. leal, and from the latter the M. E. real, in the sense of 'royal,' in Chaucer, Kn. Tale, 160. But the ei was changed into oi under the influence of the literary French of the continent, so that we also find the later forms loial and roial, whence the mod. E. loyal, royal. In the same way we find A. F. peiser, to weigh (Liber Albus, p. 226), which gives us the original of peize, as used by Shakespeare (Mer. Ven. iii. 2. 22); but the later form was poiser (which actually occurs in the Liber Albus on the same page), whence E. poise. The history of such a change as this is well worthy of being thoroughly worked out.

§ 19. One great difficulty is the utter absence of a dictionary of the language. I know of nothing more disgraceful to such a land as England, the lawyers of which have made more or less use of Anglo-French for some eight hundred years, than the fact that no one has yet taken in hand to make a reasonably useful dictionary, or even a vocabulary, of this highly important language. There is, indeed, a poor production entitled Kelham's Norman Dictionary, printed in London in 1779; but, after the usual old method which aimed at uselessness and shirked all responsibility, the author does not vouchsafe us a single reference, and adopts the most remarkable spellings; it abounds, in places, with obvious blunders. The style of it may be inferred from the fact that p. 51 begins with such entries as these:—'Counturs le roy, the king's serjeants. Coup de mere (pur), by force of the sea. Coup, damage. Coupable, guilty. Coupe, in fault, to blame'; &c. Not much help is to be got from such a work as this. More useful, but very far from perfect, are some of the glossaries to certain editions; but they usually select only the most difficult words, and avoid all the more ordinary

ones, such as the philologist most requires. The most notable and worthy exception is the edition of the Vie de Saint Auban (Life of Saint Alban), by Dr. Atkinson, the glossary to which is practically a concordance, and affords a lesson to all editors how a glossary ought to be made. Yet even these helps do not bring us much nearer to the goal; we still want a dictionary or a full vocabulary which shall tell us the Anglo-French forms of all English words that are thence derived. As far as I can discover, the only person who has done any useful work in this direction is myself. In 1882, the Philological Society of London published for me 'A Rough List of English Words found in Anglo-French, with numerous references.' This was compiled from seventeen different books, duly enumerated below, and contains sixty-six pages, in double columns, of Anglo-French spellings of more than 2600 words. We can thus tell at once, for example, that the spelling abhominable (for abominable)—on which we have the curious comments of Holofernes (L. L. L. v. 1. 26)—occurs in Anglo-French, in the Liber Albus, p. 368; and Murray's Dictionary further tells us that it occurs in the later version of Wyclif's Bible, in 1 Macc. i. 57.1 In 1888-90, the same Society published for me 'A Second List of English Words found in Anglo-French,' containing nearly 800 words more, compiled from fourteen more works; so that we now have references for nearly 3400 words, comprising nearly all such as are most commonly in use. In 1884, the English Dialect Society published 'A Word-list illustrating the correspondence of Modern English with Anglo-French Vowel-sounds,' compiled by B. M. Skeat, my eldest daughter. This was founded upon the former of

¹ Abhominable is the usual old spelling, owing to a popular etymology which explained it as ab homine, i. e. 'inhuman', and so 'beastly'. Still more curious is the information in the Boke of St. Albans, fol. f. 7, that it was correct to talk of 'a Flocke of Shepe', or 'a Gagle of women,' or 'a Sculke of freris' (friars), or 'a bhomynable [sic] sight of monkis.'

my Word-lists, and brings together the facts concerning the vowel-sounds and diphthongs. We thus learn, for example, that the diphthong ie occurs in the A.F. niece, piece, chief, grief, relief, siege, and piere. All of these are preserved in modern English with the same spelling, except that the last has become pier. In consequence, partly, of the appearance of these lists, we have now a work entitled 'Beiträge zur Geschichte der Französischen Sprache in England,' by D. Behrens; published at Heilbronn. This discusses the phonetic laws of the Anglo-French words borrowed by Middle English, with numerous useful references; and is preceded by a valuable list of M. E. words (also with references) derived from A. F. The author informs us, for example, that the word lentil occurs in Morris's edition of 'Genesis and Exodus,' l. 1488.

- § 20. As I may have occasion to refer to works in Anglo-French, I here give a list of most of the books from which my lists were compiled, preceded, in each case, by the abbreviations which are sufficient to denote them. It will give the reader some idea of the nature of some of our sources of information. But I regret to say that I have neglected other texts of even more importance, which I have not found time to index. It is heavy work to do all this single-handed.
- A. B.—Annals of Burton, pr. in Annales Monastici, ed. Luard, 1864. The words cited are from pp. 446-453, which contain the Provisions of Oxford, A.D. 1258.
- B.—Britton; ed. F. Morgan Nichols, M.A. 2 vols. Oxford, 1865. Late 13th century. Cited by the volume and page. (A law-book).
- B.B.—Black Book of the Admiralty; ed. Sir T. Twiss. 6 vols. Record Series. Cited by the page from vol. i. (unless the vol. is specified).
- Be.—Bestiary, by Philippe de Thaun; pr. in T. Wright's Popular Treatises on Science. Date, shortly before A.D. 1150. Cited by the line.

- C.A.—Chastel d'Amour, by R. Grossteste; ed. M. Cooke. Caxton Soc. 1852. 13th cent. Cited by the line.
- Cre.—Livre des Creatures; by Philippe de Thaun. Printed with 'Be.' (above); and of the same date. Cited by the line.
- E.C.—Edward the Confessor, Life of; ed. Luard. Record Ser. 1858. 12th cent. Cited by the line (usually).
- F.C.—French Chronicle of London; ed. G. J. Aungier. Camden Soc. 1844. Ab. 1350. Cited by the page.
- F.F.—The Legend of Fulk Fitzwarin; pr. with R. de Coggeshall's Chronicon Anglicanum; ed. J. Stevenson. Record Ser. 1875. Ab. 1300. Cited by the page.
- G.—Gaimar. The Anglo-Norman Chronicle of Geoffrey Gaimar, ed. T. Wright. Caxton Club, 1850. Ab. 1150. Cited by the line.
- H.—Havelok. Lai d'Havelok; in the same vol. as 'G.' 12th cent. Cited by the line.
- L.—Langtoft. Pierre de Langtoft's Chronicle, ed. T. Wright. Record Series. 2 vols. 1866-8. Ab. 1307. Cited by the page from vol. i. (see below).
- L. b.—Langtoft, 2nd volume (see above).
- L.A.—Liber Albus; ed. H. T. Riley. Record Ser. 1859. Ab. 1419; but much of it is compiled from early statutes. Cited by the page.
- L.C.—Liber Custumarum; pr. in Munimenta Gildhallae, part ii.; ed. H. T. Riley, 1860. Dates; pp. 1-243, before 1307; pp. 255-433, from 1307 to 1327; pp. 434-455, from 1327 to 1377; pp. 456-487, from 1377 to 1399.
- Lit.—Literae Cantuarienses, vol. i.; ed. J. B. Sheppard. Record Ser. Cited by the page; the date is always given.
- L.R.—Le Livere de Reis de Brittanie, &c.; ed. J. Glover. Record Ser. 1865. Cited by the page.
- L.W.—Laws of William I; pr. in Ancient Laws and Institutes, ed. B. Thorpe; vol. i. p. 466. MS. of 13th cent. Cited by the section.
- P.N.—Le Prince Noir, ed. F. Michel, 1883. Ab. 1386. Cited by the line.
- P.S.—Political Songs of England; ed. T. Wright. Camden Soc. 1839. Cited by the page, with dates.

- R.W.—Royal Wills; ed. J. Nichols, 1780. Cited by the page, with dates.
- S.R.—Statutes of the Realm, pr. by command of George III in 1810. Cited by the page, all from vol. i.; dates are often added
- V.—Vie de Saint Auban, ed. R. Atkinson; London, 1876. Before 1300. (The Glossary gives the references.)
- V.H.—Vows of the Heron, in vol. i. of Political Songs, ed. T. Wright. Record Series, 1859. Date, 1338. Cited by the page.
- W.W.—William of Wadington's Manuel des Peches; ed. F. J. Furnivall, 1862. Cited by the line.
- Y. a.—Year-books of the reign of Edward I; years xx, xxi (1292-3); ed. A. J. Horwood. Record Series, 1866. Cited by the page.
- Y. b.—The same; years xxx, xxxi (1302-3). Record Ser. 1863.
- Y. c.—The same; years xxxii, xxxiii (1304-5). Record Ser. 1864.
- Y. f.—The same, reign of Edw. III; years xii, xiii (1338-9). Ed. L. O. Pike. Record Ser. 1885.
- Y. g.—The same, continued; years xiv, xv (1339-40). Ed. L. O. Pike. Record Ser. 1886.
- § 21. An excellent list of the chief authorities for Early and Middle English words is given in Behrens, Beiträge zur Geschichte der Französischen Sprache in England, pp. 56–62. Another list is prefixed to Stratmann's Old-English Dictionary. For the purposes of the present work I shall chiefly cite such words as are given either in Mayhew and Skeat's Concise Dictionary of Middle English, or in my own larger Dictionary of English Etymology. It is only necessary to give such references as are not to be found there and have some special value.

It is worth while to pay special regard to the words which have come to us from Anglo-French through the medium of the law-courts. These include, not merely the strictly legal terms, but many others relating to things of which the lawcourts took cognisance. By referring to my lists, I find, for example, that the following words are frequently used in the Statutes of the Realm, in the Year-books of Edward I, and in Britton. Abatre (to abate), abatable, abatement, abbesse, abbettement (abetment), abbeye, abettour, abiuracion, able, abregger (to abridge), abreggement, accessori, adj., accountable, acustume, pp., acord (agreement), acordaunt, acounte, acru (accrued), acquiter, acquitance, acre (an A. F. spelling of the A. S. &cer), action, adicion, adeu (adieu), aiorner (to adjourn), aiornement (adjournment), aiugger (to adjudge), aminister (to administer to a will), administracioun, adulterie, avantage, advent, adversarie, adversite, avis (advice), aviser (to advise), avoueson (advowson), affinite, affermer, affirmative, affrei (affray), age, agistement, agreer (to agree), aide, aider (to aid), alien, alienacion, alleger, aloter (to allot), alower (to allow), allowance, amender (to amend), amendement, amerciable, amercier (to amerce), amerciement, amounter (to amount), ancestre (ancestor), auncien (ancient), annexer, annuele (annual), annuite, annuller, antiquite, apparail, apparaunt heyr (heir apparent), apel (appeal), apparence (appearance), apporcioner, apurtenant (appertaining to), apurtenaunce, appropriacion, approver (to approve), arable, arbitrement, iuges arbitres (arbiters), armes (arms, weapons), arener (to arraign), array, en arere (in arrear), arrerage, arest, s., arester, v., arrival, arsun (arson), assartir (to assart), asay, s., asayer, v., asaiour, assemblee, assent, s., sasentir, v., assetz (assets), assigne, s., assigner, v., assignement, assise, assuager (to assuage), assumpcion, asseurance, attacher (to attach), attachement, ateint (attainted), ateinte, s., (attaint), attempter, attendre (to attend), atirer (to attire). attorne (an attorney), audience, auditour, aunte (aunt), autentik (M. E. autentik, now altered to authentic), autorite (M. E. autorite, now altered to authority), auctorizer (to authorise), averer (to aver), averement, avower (to avow), avowri, agarder (for older awarder, to award).

The above list will give some idea of the abundance of the A. F. words introduced from this source; it is needless to go through the other letters of the alphabet.

§ 22. A list of E. words of Anglo-French origin, down to A.D. 1300, is given in Appendix III to Morris's Historical Outlines of English Accidence. I was much indebted to it in writing my Dictionary, and Behrens has also made much use of it.

Similar lists, but very brief ones, are given by Fritzsche and Einenkel in Anglia, vol. v, pp. 82 and 94; but the fullest list is that compiled from all these and other sources (including my Dictionary), by Behrens, Beiträge (as above), pp. 10-55, where full references are appended. Some of the words found in the various lists are rather of Latin than of French origin; thus elmesse (Lambeth Homilies) is the A.S. ælmesse, borrowed from Lat. eleemosyna directly. In the same way, castle may have been taken immediately from Lat. castellum; see vol. i. p. 434, § 400. In some cases, it is extremely difficult to tell whether a word is of Latin or A. F. origin; it may even be of both, i. e. the Latin word may have been modified, either in sound or sense, by the A.F. use. Such may have been the case with the word castle, and it is tolerably certain that the words altar, angel, apostle, canker, circle, deacon, disciple, gem, offer, and verse, all found in A.S., were more or less modified by A. F. influence. In the same way, the A.S. mór (from Lat. morus) was turned into the unmeaning mool, and produced the mod. E. mul-berry. Indeed, even native English words have sometimes suffered some disguise or alteration. Thus the A.S. weste, adi. waste, desert, barren, was supplanted by the A.F. wast, sb., a waste (S. R. p. 48, A.D. 1278; G. 6338); otherwise we should all be saying weest. The famous A.F. word wassail (R. W. 115, A.D. 1382) is a modification of an Old Northumbrian or Old Danish was heil, corresponding to the A.S. wes hál, 'be hale! be of good health!' a salutation used in drinking. Whenever there is some doubt as to the origin of an early Romance word, it is, in general, quite safe to say that the word is rather A. F. than Latin; the chief exception being in the case of a few words which were probably taken immediately from the Vulgate Version of the Bible. A probable instance is *pelican*, familiar to all early writers from its occurrence in the Psalms (cii. 6, A. V.; ci. 7, Vulgate Version); in fact, one of the A. S. versions of the Psalms, that edited by Thorpe, has the dat. *pellicane* in this passage, where the Vulgate has the dat. *pellicano*. Unless there is clear evidence to the contrary, I shall assume a word to be A. F. rather than Latin, wherever either form will serve. A discussion of words that were borrowed *immediately* from Latin will be found in Chapter XIII.

§ 23. When considering the influence of Anglo-French upon English, we must not forget that a similar influence was exerted in the contrary direction. Numerous English words found their way into Anglo-French, especially in the law-courts, and in various ordinances and regulations. The English word aker (A. S. æcer) was in such constant use in matters relating to land that it was transformed into acre, as if formed with the A. F. suffix -re (cf. centre); and this spelling became fixed, being still in use. English words frequently appear in the midst of an A.F. sentence. Thus, in the Liber Custumarum, p. 61, the regulation about the Lorraine merchants begins:-'Come li Loreng vendront a la Niwe Were,' &c., i. e. 'when the Lorrainers shall come to the New Weir,' &c. Just below, it is directed that they are to wait for three tides before beginning to trade; or, as it is printed—'si attendent ii. ewes et un flod.' The next sentence begins-'Dedenz le terme de iii. tides'; i.e. 'within the term of three tides,' where tide is from A.S. tid. The A.F. ewe means 'water'; and I suppose that the editor took the above direction to mean— 'they shall wait for two waters and a flood'; where flod (A.S. flod) is of native origin. I have no doubt at all that

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he must have misread the MS., or that it is miswritten; for ewes we should surely read ebbes, i.e. ebbs, which is an English word. The old w is not at all unlike bb; so the mistake is possible. 'Waters' makes no sense; but 'ebbs' is the very word required. Sometimes, indeed, we find much clearer records of English words in Anglo-French or Latin documents than can be found elsewhere. I have hitherto failed to find the word wharf (A.S. hwerf, hwearf) in a Middle English text, but I find 'le Wherf,' i. e. the wharf, in the Liber Custumarum, p. 62. Old wills are usually written in Latin or Anglo-French, and, from the nature of the case, they constantly introduce English words. We thus learn, for example, that the E. loom, as commonly used, is short for web-loom, i. e. weaving-loom; for in the Testamenta Eboracensia, vol. i. p. 191, I find:—'Et lego Katharinae filiae meae illud instrumentum, Anglice weblome, in quo Johannes maritus suus operatur.' (A.D. 1393.) Once more, the A. S. wiloc became M. E. wilk, spelt wylke in the Promptorium Parvulorum (A.D. 1440); the usual A.F. spelling was welk, plural welkes (L. A. 244; L. C. 407, l. 9). The usual mod. E. form is, accordingly, welks (always misspelt whelks) in polite society; but the vulgar name is still wilks, because the lower orders have best preserved the A. S. form. Bailey gives 'wilk, a cockle, or sea-snail' as a Lincolnshire word; and it occurs again in the Kentish Glossary (Eng. Dialect Society) and elsewhere.

§ 24. Before giving a few specimens of Anglo-French, it will be best to say a few words as to its pronunciation. The best general rule is to say that the pronunciation of Anglo-French agrees, almost exactly, with that of the contemporary Middle English, the symbols used in both having the same value, and both being spelt phonetically. The reason for this is that in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, the whole of the English language was respelt by scribes who had been trained to write out Anglo-French; see vol. i.

p. 304, § 287; p. 308, § 292; p. 319, § 300. Even the very forms of the letters were altered; the A. S. d. f. g. r. s. t. imitated from the Celtic forms of the Roman letters, were replaced by the continental forms of the same, and the A.S. symbol cw was replaced by the French qu. Hence, in dealing with Anglo-French and Middle-English we have but one alphabet; the same letter-forms and symbols are common to both, and are used to represent, as nearly as may be, the same sounds. If it were not for the great changes in our pronunciation, modern English would be a better guide than modern French to the pronunciation required; and, as the said changes mostly affect the vowelsounds, our best general guide will be to sound the A.F. consonants as in modern English, and the vowels as in modern French, or rather as in modern Italian. This extremely simple rule, strange as it may seem to be, will give a much closer approximation to the truth than would be supposed; especially if it be supplemented by a further rule, that the final e is to be sounded as a distinct syllable, as in modern German. A few examples will make this clearer. A. F. plural barons is to be pronounced somewhat like English, except that the a is like E. a in father; a slight sound may be given to the on, and the final s should be distinctly heard; the F. pronunciation is misleading. is on the supposition that the accent was on the a, as was sooner or later the case; it had originally been on the o, which was once long; moreover, the s was originally voiceless. The A.F. charge, meaning 'burden,' is not in the least like the F. charge; on the contrary, it is pronounced more. like E. charge; only the r should be trilled, and the final e sounded. The A. F. pres. pl. consentent, meaning 'they consent.' should be treated much in the same way as barons, i. e. retaining n^1 , and with no suppression of the final syllable

 $^{^1}$ Cf. Ellis, E. E. Pronunciation, p. 462, l. 11. Mr. Nicol notes that the vowels a and e, before m and n, were already nasal in the eleventh

or even of the final t. Such words as éclaircissement belong to continental French and to the modern period of English; in fact, this particular word seems to have been introduced by Dryden (Marriage a-la-Mode, Act. iii. sc. 1). It must be borne in mind, however, that both the pronunciation and spelling of Anglo-French were constantly, though slowly, changing; consequently, the remarks made both here and below are only to be taken as a loose and approximate guide to the sounds which, most probably, were in extended use during the period when English was borrowing many loanwords from Anglo-French, say about 1250-1350. corollary from the use of the same alphabet for Anglo-French and English words is of great importance, viz. that at the time when any Anglo-French word was borrowed it was transferred into English with an unaltered spelling, which may, however, have been afterwards slightly modified. It is certainly the fact that a considerable number of words are spelt precisely alike in both languages at about the same period. This appears at once from a glance at Miss Skeat's Wordlist, where the A. F., M. E., and E. forms are given side by In many cases the forms have never changed at all; examples are habit, adamant, advent, chalice, malice, talent, valour, value, palmer, palfrey, clamour, damage, lamprey, ensample, blanket, all on the first two pages. Of course variant spellings of these words are found at different periods, but such variations have no important signification. I shall now attempt to describe, in a tentative and approximate manner, the more usual and general values of the A.F. sounds, from a conviction that anything is better than leaving the student in the belief that they bear a close resemblance to the

century; but he adds that, in all cases, the loss of the following nasal consonant is quite modern. The only traces of it in English occur in the use of an for en, as in rank for A. F. renc, and in a few such words as daunt, vaunt. In the Chanson de Roland, the nasalisation of a and e before m and n is more marked than that of other yowels.

sounds heard in modern French. The books to be consulted are Ellis's Early English Pronunciation, Sweet's History of English Sounds, Sweet's First and Second English Primers, Behrens' Beiträge, etc., the account of Chaucer's pronunciation by Mr. Ellis in my edition of Chaucer's Man of Lawes Tale, and the account of the same in Ten Brink's work entitled 'Chaucers Sprache und Verskunst.' Above all, let the student consult the observations on the pronunciation of the dialect of Normandy, in the preface to Extraits de la Chanson de Roland, etc., by Gaston Paris; Paris, 1887.

§ 25. A. F. Pronunciation. The value of a vowel is often affected, as in modern E., by the position of the accent. In order to eliminate, for the present, this source of variation, all the examples (except those of final -e) will be so chosen that the vowel under consideration occurs in an accented syllable, unless the contrary be expressed. In describing the sounds, the romic symbols will frequently be used, as given in vol. i. p. 336, § 310. The principal M. E. sounds are also given in vol. i. p. 340, § 313.

The following table shews the probable pronunciation of the vowels and diphthongs:—

A. F. Symbols.	Broad-romic Symbols 1	Sounds.
a (short)	a	as in father (but short).
a (long)	aa	" father.
ai, ay	ai²; <i>later</i> ei	,, my (but broader); later as èi (with open e).
au	au	" now (but broader).
e (short)	e	" m <i>e</i> n.

¹ The 'romic' symbols are founded on those of the Italian alphabet; hence ai has the sound of E. ah-ce, somewhat shortened. The 'broadromic' is only an approximate system for common use; 'narrow romic' is more exact. See Sweet's Handbook of Phonetics.

² Mr. Nicol remarks that all combinations of vowel-letters originally represented diphthougs. But it is a special characteristic of A. F. that it reduced several diphthongs, such as ea, ie, eo, oe, ui, to simple long vowels.

A. F. Symbols.	Broad-romic Symbols	Sounds.
e (unaccented) e (long), ee ea	ee (or èè) ea ; later ææ	as in father (r not trilled). " long open e. " (Ital. e-a; later as in there).
ei, ey eo, oe	eí oè; œ; latest ee	,, obey. ,, oè; then as in (French) peuple; latest as in G. see.
eu (rare)	œy?	(see Schwan, §§ 284, 307). 1
i (short), y i (long), y ie	ii iee; <i>later</i> ee ¹	" ween.
o (short) o (long) oi, oy ou (ow) u (short)	o; also u (nearly) oo (or òò) oi mostly uu 2 u; also y	,, hop; full (nearly). ,, long o, mostly open. ,, noise, boy. ,, fool. ,, full; also as in G. schützen.
u (<i>long</i>) ui	uu; <i>also</i> yy yy (<i>from</i> yi);	" fool; also as in G. grün.
4	also oi 3	" G. grün; also E. boil.

The following consonants were used as in modern English, and need no comment; **b**, **d**, **f**, **j**, **k**, **l**, **m**, **n** (slightly nasal), **p**, **qu**, **r** (trilled), **t**, **v**, **w**, **x**. It may be noted, however, that u is usually written for v, especially between two vowels, and that the sound of j was invariably denoted by the symbol i. Of the rest, **e** was more commonly pronounced as in **F**. and **E**., i.e. as s before e and i, and as k before other vowels; as in **E**. cark, cell, city, coffin, curtain, all of which are of A. F. origin; but the original sound of c, before e and i, was ts, as in O. F. and A. F., which lasted till after A. D. 1200. In like manner,

¹ The M.E. spelling *ie*, as in *lief*, *chief*, 'is the result of the A.F. smoothing of O.F. *ie* (i'ee) into (ee).'—Sweet, Hist. E. Sounds, § 597.

² See Sweet, Hist. E. Sonnds, §§ 595, 596.

^{3 &#}x27;The O. F. ui had generally the value ('yi), as in fruit; this diphthong was smoothed to (yy) in the E. pronunciation of French.'—Sweet.

g was pronounced as in E., i.e. as E. j before e and i. and as g before other vowels; as in E. galley, gem, giant, govern, gutter, all of which are of A. F. origin: and we may here note that A. F. geste has become E. jest. In the combination gu. the u was at first pronounced as w, as in mod. E. anguish: but E. has dropped the w sound in guarantee, guard, guile, guise, and even (according to the dictionaries) in guerdon. The h was always silent in words of Latin origin, such as host (often spelt ost); and was only retained in words of Germanic origin, such as hardy. The s was probably voiced, i.e. sounded as z between two vowels and in final unaccented syllables before a vowel; cf. E. causes. In sl. written for zl, the z was early lost; so that isle was pronounced (iil). So also with sm, sn. The z, when used as a final letter, 1 was originally pronounced as ts in cats. Thus the Lat. cantatis (by loss of i, and change of c to ch) produced a word chantets, which was written chantez; a spelling which is retained in modern French, though the old pronunciation is lost. Compare the use of z (with the sound of ts) in G. Zahn. We even find tz in some cases; such a spelling as sergeantz for sergeants is found in MSS. of Chaucer. Survivals of this occur in the A.F. fiz, a son, also written fitz, as in Fitzedward; and in the A. F. assez or assetz (the same word as F. assez, meaning 'enough'), preserved, with the old sound of the z, in the mod. E. assets. See assets in the New English Dictionary.

Besides the above letters, we must not omit to mention the important and common combination ch, pronounced as in E. charm, chair, words of A. F. origin; and ph, pronounced as f, as in A. F. phisicien, a physician (B. i. 34), also spelt fisicien (W. W. 10301); but ph only occurs in learned words. The symbol th is rare; we find it in the name Thomas, probably pronounced, in this case, with t, as at present. The

¹ Medially, or initially, it was dz, and, at a later time, it was z in all positions; see Sweet, Hist. E. Sounds, § 592.

A. F. sch was originally pronounced as written, i.e. as s (in sin) followed by ch (in charge), but passed into sh (in shall); hence the M. E. symbol sch for the sound of sh.

§ 26. I believe the above notes will be practically sufficient for the present purpose; more exact information, on some points at least, will be found in Sweet, Ellis, Behrens, and Ten Brink. It may, however, be usefully observed here that the orthography is not always the same, and that there was a strong tendency, often fully carried out, to change some of the old diphthongs into monophthongs, or simple long vowels. I here throw together a few notes.

Ai, ei. At first ai and ei were probably distinguished, but there was a tendency to confuse them; and, in later texts especially, they are confused accordingly. See this discussed in Ellis, E. E. Pron. p. 454; where the author seems to incline to the belief that both were merged in the common sound ai. On the other hand, Ten Brink says (Chaucers Sprache, § 89) that ai and ei were both merged in the common sound èi (with open e), and that this common sound was sometimes further changed into èè (long open e). So likewise M. Gaston Paris notes that, even in the later text of the Chanson de Roland, ai became F. open e. This latter opinion seems to me incontrovertible, since we find aise passing into eise, and thence into eese (often written ese), whence the Tudor E. ease (èèz, with open e), and mod. E. ease (iiz).

Au. The use of au is particularly noticeable before m and n, when followed by another consonant. We then find a strong tendency to alter the A. F. accented a in am, an, into aum and aun. Hence we find chaumbre as well as chambre, a chamber; daunger as well as danger; such spellings are common also in M. E. Modern E. commonly rejects this change, but it occurs in daunt, haunt, vaunt, spawn, lawn,

¹ But only in some cases: we still keep vain, wait, pay with the sound of vein, weit, pey.

tawny, etc. (daont, haont, vaont, spaon, laon, tao ni); for au = (ao), see vol. i. p. 336.

It is most likely that the sound au was due to the (originally) nasal sound of the vowel a. Though the consonants m and n preserved their sound, instead of being lost as in modern F., the vowels a and e (and perhaps o) had a nasal sound in Norman before m and n. This was probably soon lost in A. F., since E. shows but slight traces of it.

E. The sound of short e varied; being sometimes open (as in E. bed, met), sometimes close (as in F. été, or the former part of the diphthong heard in E. they), and sometimes weak or obscure (as at the end of G. Sonne or in the F. que). Ten Brink (Chaucers Sprache, § 86) states that the M. E. e was close at the end of the first unaccented syllable of a word, as in de-gree, de-parten, re-questen; weak in a middle unaccented syllable, as in chap-e-lein, rem-e-naunt, gen-e-ral; and open in a 'closed' syllable, as in mer-cy, ser-geant. Compare the observations of M. Gaston Paris. The long open e occurs in re-soun, se-soun, from the older forms raisoun, reisoun, saisoun, seisoun; spelt reason, season in E. The long close e occurs at the end of an accented syllable, before another vowel, as in crē-a-tur-e (four syllables). See Ten Brink, as above. Also at the end of such words as degree, see (of a bishop), where the mod. E. has the pronunciation (ii).

The nasal sound of e before m or n seems to have been early lost; at any rate, the traces of it are very slight. We find, however, that en has become an in E. standard, rank, from A.F. estendard, renc; but this change is very rare.

Ea. The vowels were originally distinct; the vocalisation and subsequent loss of g in Lat. *legalis* gave the A. F. forms *leial*, *le-al*; but *ea* soon became a monophthong, producing the M. E. *lēl* (lèèl), with open e; whence mod. E. *leal* (liil).

¹ I.e. in a syllable closed or terminated by a consonant; otherwise the syllable is 'open,' as in E. ta-bour. See § 47.

- **Ei.** Properly a diphthong, with the stress on e; it sometimes passed into a long open e; see **Ai**.
- Eo, Oe. Chiefly in the word people, which still retains the symbol. The later sound was like that heard in F. peuple, and then it became a monophthong, which accounts for the M. E. pēple (pee-pla), whence the mod. E. pronunciation (pii-pl).
- I, Y. The symbols i and y were completely confused, probably because the *sounds* of A. S. i and A. S. y had become confused also. The use of y for i was often due to a striving after graphic distinctness, since hym is clearer to the eye than him, which might, in a MS., be read as hum. They are often interchanged in A. F.; thus we find pyte for pite (pitee); as in L. 232. In some M. E. MSS., there was a tendency to use y for long i, and i for the short one.
- Le. The *i* was a mere glide, and the accent was on the *e*. There was a tendency to produce a monophthong, viz. long close *e*, which has regularly become (ii) in modern E. Thus A. F. grief is now pronounced (griif). See Ten Brink, as above, § 67.
- O. The short o is very troublesome, as it often cannot be separated from short u. This will be considered more fully below. The use of o for u was particularly common before m, n, and u (=v); because the graphic combinations um, un, and uu, were likely to be indistinct. This use of o for u was extended to native words; hence the A. S. sunu became M. E. sone, and is still spelt son. See Ten Brink, as above, § 86; Sweet, Hist. of E. Sounds, § 595.
 - Ou (ow). The symbol ou mostly denoted simple long u, as in mod. E. soup (suup); hence, in M. E., the symbol ou was in constant use to denote that sound even in native words. Before a vowel (chiefly) we find ow written for ou, as in A. F. avower (avuu er), to avow; Y. a. 63. Hence ow for final ou in E.
 - **U.** Used to denote both u and y (Ger. \ddot{u}), whether short or long; and it is often difficult to distinguish between them.

The best rule is to remember that the latter sound $(G. \dot{u})$ commonly occurs where Latin has long u (\bar{u}), or sometimes u long by position 1, as in cure (kyy ra), from L. $c\bar{u}ra$.

Another rule is that mod. E. has (yuu) for this latter sound, as in cure, pure (kyuur, pyuur); A. F. cure, pur (kyy rə, pyyr); L. cūra, pūrus.

Ui. This diphthong arose from the combination of an accented modified u (Ger. \dot{u}) with a short \dot{i} ; it soon became a monophthong by the loss of the latter element, so that its proper sound was that of the G. \ddot{u} in $gr\ddot{u}n$. This awkward combination, viz. the symbol $u\dot{i}$, seems to have been a favourite one in A. F., so that it was also used for $o\dot{i}$, which is its usual representative in E. The chief example of the former sound is in A. F. $fru\dot{i}t$ (fryyt); but the sound was disliked in E. and turned in to (yuu), as above, or, after an r, into simple (uu); hence E. (fruut). An example of the latter use occurs in A. F. bruillir, M. E. bruillen, broilen, E. broil.

Some characteristic specimens of A. F. will be given in the next Chapter.

¹ Lat. u 'in position,' i.e. before two consonants, was sometimes long, as in Lat. $n\bar{u}llum$, and sometimes short, as in Lat. $m\bar{u}llum$; and was developed accordingly. Hence O. F. pul (nyl) and moult (mult).

CHAPTER IV.

Specimens of Anglo-French.

§ 27. As a few selected specimens of Anglo-French will give a better idea of its spelling and general appearance than any description, I here give some examples of it, with translations. I afterwards add notes on the pronunciation.

A. From the Laws of William I.

The first extract is taken from the Laws of William the Conqueror, as printed in Thorpe's Ancient Laws and Institutes of England, 2 vols. 1840; vol. i. p. 466. The MS. is not contemporary, but it is of the twelfth century, and exhibits several archaic forms, with full inflexions. Observe, e. g. grantad, in the past tense singular, third person; later form, granta. I may add that there is also a Latin text of these Laws, which helps to explain many of the phrases here employed.

[TITLE.] Cez sunt les leis e les custumes que li reis William grantad al pople de Engleterre, apres le cunquest de la terre; iceles meimes que li reis Edward, sun cusin, tint devant lui.

- I. Ceo est a sauer : Pais a seinte iglise. De quel forfeit que hom fet oust, e il poust uenir a seinte iglise, oust pais de uic e de
- [TITLE.] These are the laws and the customs which King William granted to the people of England, after the conquest of the land; the very same which King Edward, his cousin, had before him.
- I. This is to wit: Peace to holy church! For whatever misdeed that a man may have committed, if he could come into holy

menbre. E si aucuns meist main en celui ki la mere iglise requereit, si ceo fust u euesque, u abeie, u iglise de religiun, rendist ceo quil aureit pris, e cent souz le forfeit; e de mere iglise de parosse, xx. souz; e de chapele, x. souz.

II. E ki enfreint la pais le rei, en Merchene lahe, cent souz les amendes. Autresi de hemfare e de agwait purpense. Icel plait afert a la curune le rei. E si aucuns uescunte u prouost mesfait as humes de sa ende [Lat. text ballie], e de ceo seit ateint deuant iustise, le forfeit est a duble de ceo que auter fust forfeit. E ki en Dene lahe enfreint la pais le rei, set uint liures e quatre les amendes; et les forfez le rei ki aferent al uescunte, xl. souz en Merchene lahe, e l. souz en West-sexene lahe. E cil francs hom ki ad e sache e soche, e toll e tem, e infangen-theof, se il est enplaide, e il seit mis en forfeit el cunte, afert al os le uescunte en Dene lahe xl. ores: e de cel hume ki ceste franchise nen ad, xxxii. ores. De cez xxxii., auerad le uescunte al os le rei, x. ores,

church, let him have peace, of life and of member [limb]. And if any one lay hand on him who has sought mother church, whether it be cathedral, or abbey, or church of religion, let him render up that which he may have taken, and a hundred shillings as forfeit; and (if it be) from the mother church of the parish, 20 shillings; and if from a chapel, 10 shillings.

II. And whoever breaks the king's peace, within the Mercian law [i.e. district where the Mercian law is respected], 100 shillings (be) the amends. So also as to hemfare [invasion of one's home and for premeditated lying in wait. This plea belongs to the crown of the king. And if any sheriff or provost maltreats the men of his end (bailiwick), and be convicted of this before the justice, the forfeit is double that which another would have forfeited. And whoever, within the Dane-law [district of the Danish law], breaks the king's peace, seven score pounds and four (be) the amends; and the king's forfeits, which belong to the sheriff, 40 shillings in the Mercian-law, and 50 shillings in the West-Saxon-law. And as for a free man who has sac [right of holding pleas] and soc [privilege of holding courts], and toll [taking of toll, and exemption from toll] and team [power to deal with serfs, and their children and property] and infangen-theof [power to try thieves taken within his jurisdiction], if he is impleaded, and he be put in forfeit in the county-court, it (the forfeit) belongs to the use of the sheriff; viz. 40 oras [an ora=about 16d., sometimes 20d.] in the Dane-law:

e cil ki le plait auerad deredne uers lui, xii. ores; e le seinur en ki fiu il meindra, les x. ores. Ceo est en Dene lahe.

and, for that man who has not this franchise, 32 oras. Of these 32 oras, the sheriff shall have for the king's use 10 oras; and he who shall have brought the plea against him, 12 oras; and the lord within whose feud [jurisdiction] he resides, the 10 oras. This is in the Dane-law.

- § 28. The spelling of the above passage is very archaic. We still find grantad in place of the later granta; hom for on; pais for later peis, pees; etc. The pronunciation does not really require much explanation; the words are probably to be sounded as written, keeping the Italian values for the vowels, pronouncing all the letters (such as final s, st in cunquest, t in tint), and making the final e, as in iglise, a distinct syllable. Final z, as explained above (see § 24), was ts; so that Cez was pronounced as Cets (sets); cf. forfez = forfets. The final s in leis was probably sounded as z before the following vowel, viz. in the word e. But, in reis (Lat. rex) the s was no doubt voiceless. symbol qu was mostly sounded as in E. queen; but the frequent alternative spellings ke, ki, for que, qui, show that qu had passed over to the mod. F. k-sound in a few very common words connected with the relative pronoun; hence quil was really kil. Even in the word quatre, 'four,' the same change took place, sooner or later; this is proved by the existence of E. cater, meaning 'four,' used in dice-play. I think the rest of the sounds can be made out, nearly, by help of the indications given in §§ 24, 25.
- § 29. The words marked by the use of italics are of A. S. origin; it has already been explained that such words are of frequent occurrence in A. F. laws. If we note the mod. E. words due to A. F. words occurring in the above extract, we at once observe the following instances. *Custume*, custom; granter, to grant; pople, people (borrowed by E. from the later A. F. people); cunquest, conquest; cusin, cousin; pais,

peace; seint, saint; forfeit, forfeit; menbre, usually membre, member; requerre, to require¹; abeie, abbey; religiun, religion; parosse, parish; chapele, chapel; amendes, amends; agwait (usually await), await; curune, crown; uescunte, viscount; prouost, provost²; ateint, attainted; iustise, justice; duble, double; quatre, cater (§ 28); francs, frank; enplaider, to implead; os, use s; franchise, franchise; plait, plea; deredner, to darraign s; seinur, senior, seigneur; fiu (also fief), fief.

Thus our first specimen has introduced us to the older forms of over thirty mod. E. words. This should suffice to show the paramount importance of this much-neglected language. In most cases the correspondence is so close that little need be said. The great antiquity of such a word as franchise is worth notice. Observe the pronunciation of the ch; it is quite wrong to sound it here as sh, as if it were mere modern French. The word requiring most explanation is viscount. This answers to A. F. visconte (S. R. 28, A.D. 1275), in which the s was early lost in pronunciation. This is shown by the A. F. spelling viconte (Y. a. 7). Thence, the development of the i (ii) into the mod. E. i (ai) is regular; and the lengthening of A. F. on (also written un, oun) in the combination ont, ount, is also regular.

§ 30. I now proceed to give a second extract, taken from the Estorie des Engles, by Geffrei Gaimar, ed. Wright (Caxton Society, 1850), p. 182; from a MS. of the thirteenth century, though the period of composition was about

¹ The E. require answers to M. E. requiren, Chaucer, C. T. 8306; requere, id. 6634 (riming with there). Of these, requeren is from requerre; but require answers to requier, the 1st pers. sing. of the present tense, and may (like acquire) have been influenced by the Lat. spelling.

² We already find profost (with f as v) in A. S.

³ The E. use, answering phonetically to A. F. us (Lat. usum) seems to have been also employed to translate A. F. os, oes (Lat. opus); the latter means 'benefit'; see Supp. to my Dict., 2nd ed., p. 832.

⁴ As in Spenser, F. Q. i. 4. 40; from A. F. darreiner, dereiner, later form of deresner, deredner (Lat. derationare).

1150. The extract describes the conduct of the Norman champion Taillefer at the battle of Hastings; and it is remarkable that it does not say a single word about his singing the Song of Roland, according to the common story.

B. From Geffrei Gaimar's Chronicle.

Ouant les escheles sunt rengees E del ferir aparillees, Mult i out genz dambesdous parz; De hardement semblent leoparz. 5270 Un des Franceis donc se hasta. Devant les altres chevalcha. Taillefer ert cil apelez, Joglere estait, hardi asez; Armes aveit e bon cheval. Si ert hardiz e noble vassal. Devant les altres cil se mist: Devant Engleis merveilles fist. Sa lance prist par la tuet, Com si co fust un bastunet: 5280 Encontremont halt le geta E par le fer receue l'a. Trais fez issi geta sa lance;

When the squadrons are ranged. And apparelled for the onset. There were many men on both sides; For hardiness, they seemed leopards. One of the French then made haste. Before the others he rode. Taillefer this man was called, A juggler (jester) was he, very hardy: Arms had he, and a good horse, And he was a hardy and noble vassal. Before the others this man put himself; Before the English he performed marvels, His lance he took by the handle As if it had been a small stick; Up aloft he threw it high, And by the iron he has caught it. Three times he thus threw his lance;

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La quarte feiz, mult pres s'avance, Entre les Engleis la lanca. Parmi le cors un en naffra. Puis treist s'espee, arere vint, Geta s'espee k'il tint Encontremont, puis la receit. L'un dit a l'altre, ki co veit, 5290 Ke co estait enchantement Ke cil fesait devant la gent. Quant treis faiz out gete l'espee. Le cheval, od gule baiee, Vers les Engleis vint a esleise; Si i ad alquanz ki quident estre mange, Pur le cheval ki issi haiout. Le jugleor apris li out: De l'espee fiert un Engleis; Le poing li fait voler maneis. 5300 Altre en fiert tant cum il pout; Mal guerdon le jor en out; Car les Engleis, de totes parz,

The fourth time, he advances very near, Amongst the English he launched it, Amid the body he wounded one with it. Then he drew his sword, came back again, Threw his sword which he held Up aloft, and then catches it. One says to the other, on seeing this, 5290 That this was enchantment Which he did before the people. When three times he had thrown the sword, The horse, with his mouth wide open, Towards the English went, at full gallop. And there are some who expect to be eaten, For (by) the horse, who thus opened his mouth; The juggler had taught him (his horse) it. With the sword he strikes an Englishman, He makes his fist fly off at once. 5300 Another he strikes with it as hard as he could; Evil guerdon that day he had for it. For the English, from all sides,

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Li lancent gavelocs e darz, Lui oscistrent e son destrer; Mar demanda le colp primer!

Launch (hurl) at him javelins and darts; They killed him and his destrere (horse); To his hurt he demanded the first stroke!

§ 31. The metre employed is the line of eight syllables. A normal line is the sixth: Devánt | les ál | tres ché | valchá||. Sometimes there is a ninth unaccented syllable, as in the first two lines and the seventeenth and eighteenth. editor has probably slightly modified the spelling; the MSS. have devant, not devant. He has also added accents, which the MSS, do not employ, and which I omit. I suppose that rengees was pronounced renge-ës (romic ranjee ez). The ou may be sounded as (uu). Observe z=ts in parz=parts, and genz=gents. We may also profitably notice the elision of final e in joglere; the dissyllabic Armes; the trisyllabic Taill-e-fer, juglëor; and the quadrisyllabic enchant-e-ment. Ert=Lat. erat; out=Lat. habuit; od=Lat. apud; fiert=Lat. ferit. The E. words illustrated are: range, apparel, part, leopard, haste, juggler, hardy, assets, arms, chival-(in chival-ry), noble. vassal, marvel, lance, baston (in heraldry), jet, receive, quart, advance, corse, arrear, enchant-ment, gules (in heraldry) mange(r), mange, guerdon, launch (to throw), darts, destrere (Chaucer), demand. D'ambesdous is an instructive word: it stands for de ambes dous, 'of both two.' Dous answers to Central F. deus, which gave us the mod. E. deuce, used in dice-play to signify 'two'; whilst ambes (Lat. ambo) is also written ames; hence ames ace, 'both aces', 'double aces', in Shak. All's Well, ii. 3. 85.

§ 32. In Wright's Political Songs, edited for the Camden Society in 1839, there are several characteristic pieces. I quote just a few lines from 'The Outlaw's Song of Traillebaston,' imagined to have been written by an outlaw in a wood with reference to the Law of Trailbaston (April 6,

1305), which was directed against the violent men called trailbastons (stick-carriers). The outlaw complains of the law, and invites men to join him in the wood (reminding us of As You Like It, Act ii. sc. 5). He adds that his song was written in the wood, and cast into the highway for men to find. The date of the MS. is about 1310-20.

C. From the Outlaw's Song.

Ce sunt les articles de Trayllebastoun; Salve le roi meismes, de Dieu eit maleysoun Qe a de primes granta tiel commissioun! Quar en ascuns des pointz n'est mie resoun.

Sire, si je voderoi mon garsoun chastier De une buffe ou de deus, pur ly amender, Sur moi betera bille, e me frad atachier, E avant qe isse de prisone ransoun grant doner...

Pur ce me tendroi antre bois sur (suz ?) le jolyf umbray; La n'y a faucete ne nulle male lay; En le bois de Belregard, ou vole le jay, E chaunte russinole touz jours santz delay. . . .

These (that I hate) are the articles of Traillebastoun; Save the king himself, may he have God's curse Who at the first granted such a commission; For in any of the points (of it) there is no reason at all.

Sir, if I should wish to chastise my boy
With (just) a buffet or two, for to amend him,
He will promote a bill against me, and will cause me to be
attached,

And, before I issue from prison, to give a great ransom. . . .

For this cause I will keep me among the woods, under the pleasant shade;

There, there is no falseness, and no bad law; In the wood of Beauregard, where flies the jay, And the nightingale sings always without ceasing. . . . Je pri tote bone gent qe pur moi vueillent prier, Qe je pus a mon pais aler e chyvaucher; Unqe ne fu homicide, certes a moun voler, Ne mal robberes, pur gent damager.

Cest rym fust fet al bois desouz un lorer; La chaunte merle, russinole, e cyre (?) 1 l'esperver; Escrit estoit en parchemyn pur mout remenbrer, E gitte en haut chemyn, qe um le dust trover.

I pray all good people that they will pray for me, That I may be able to go and ride to my country; Never was I a homicide, at least by design, Nor an evil robber, to do people damage.

This rime was made in the wood beneath a bay-tree; There sings the blackbird, the nightingale, and the sparrow-hawk cries (?),

It was written on parchment, to be well remembered, And cast into the highway, that some one should find it.

§ 33. The above piece is written in the usual Alexandrine line of twelve syllables (normally); the lines must be read deliberately, with a pause in the middle. Some lines seem rugged and imperfect; it can hardly be called a finished performance, though it has some interest. A normal line is:—'La n'ý | a faú | ceté | ne núl | le má | le láy.' Russinole has but three syllables, the final e being idle. In Trayllebastoun, the yll expresses the sound of l mouillé (ly). Qe is for Ke; and probably Quar (as being a common word) was Kar. Mie has two syllables; as: mi'-e. Frad is for fer-ad, 'has to make, will make.' The following are the modern E. words which are here illustrated: articles, save, malison, grant, commission, point, reason, M. E. chasty (to

¹ Mr. Wright prints cyre, and explains it by 'cries,' followed by a note of interrogation. I can find no such verb; perhaps it is a mere misprint for crye; or e cyre is for ecyre. Cf. O. F. escirer, to tear, rend, and mod. F. déchirer.

chastise), buffet (dimin. of buffe), deuce (two), amend, bill, attach, prison, ransom, grand, jolly, false, jay, chant, delay, pray (from A. F. preier, a common spelling), homicide, certes (Shak.), robber, damage, laurel, merle, parchment (with excrescent t), remember, jet (to throw). As to our rhyme, it is from A. S. rim; but the A. F. rym (riim) is cognate. being of Teutonic origin; so that the two forms altogether coincided. I may here add that this same poem gives us other interesting forms, such as: robberie, robbery; servir, to serve; sire, sire, lord; pees, peace; jurour, a juror; manaces, menaces; piete, piety; sauvete, safety; cruelte, cruelty; retorner, to return; eschyne, chine; comencer, to commence: marchaunz, merchants; roial protection, royal protection; enditer, to indite or indict; beste savage, savage beast; justices, justices (judges); garde, guard; purger, to purge; soffryr messayse, to suffer mis-ease; penaunce, penance; delyveraunce, deliverance; fol, a fool; sage, sage (wise); outrage, outrage; lignage, lineage; engager, to engage; aguvter, to acquit; chatel, chattel (property); grace, grace; aprochier, to approach; sauver, to save; fitz (son); envye, envy; variant, varying; compagnoun, companion; archerve, archery; compagnie, company; folie, folly; pork (a pig); conspyratour, conspirator; faus, false (Lowland Sc. fause).

Note how the e in E. lineage (A.F. lignage) and the i in E. companion (A. F. compagnoun) were introduced in order to give the effect of the sound of the A. F. gn.

§ 34. I next give a few lines from 'Britton,' one of our early law-writers, as edited by F. M. Nichols, in 2 vols; Oxford, 1865. The subject is the manner in which a judicial combat should be fought, in cases of appeal, between the appellant and defendant. The text is of the early part of the fourteenth century.

¹ See Shak. ² Hen. VI, Act ii. sc. ³; latter part.

D. From 'Britton,' vol. i. p. 107.

Puis voisent combatre, armez sauntz feer et sauntz linge armure, a testes descovertes, et a meyns nues, et a peez, oveke deus bastouns cornuz de une longure, e chescun de eux ove un escu a iiii. corners, sauntz autre armure dunt nul ne peut autre grever; et si nul eyt autre armure sur ly muscee, et de ceo eitgreve soen adversarie, ou profert de grever, si soit cum serra dit entre les batayls de pletz de terre.

Et si le défendour se peuse défendre jekes autant qe homme puse ver les esteyles el firmament, et demaunde jugement si plus deyve combatre, si voloms qe pur le défendaunt se passe jugement; et ausi en totes batayles de champiouns; et le apelour en felonie soit comande a la prisoun.

Then let them go to fight, armed without iron and without light armour, with heads uncovered, with hands bare and on foot, with two staves, tipped with horn, of the same length, and each of them with a shield with four corners, without other armour wherewith the one [lit. no one] may be [lit. not be] able to harm the other; and if one (of them) have other armour [i.e. arms] concealed upon him, and therewith have harmed, or offers to harm, his adversary, let it be so done as shall be said in treating of battles concerning pleas about land.

And if the defendant be able to defend himself until men can see the stars in the firmament, and demands judgment as to whether he ought to fight any more, we will thus: that judgment be passed for the defendant; and so in all battles between champions; and let the appellor, in (the case of) felony, be committed to prison.

§ 35. No doubt the editor has substituted v for u, and j for i, in the MS. We may note that, in the word peez, 'feet,' the z probably stands for ts (cf. Schwan, § 163); or it may mean no more than z, which is a common value of it in the later texts. The use of tz for z, in sauntz, shows that its old use was passing away. Ove is equivalent to Lat. apud hoc, and means 'with.' El is a contraction for en le, 'in the.' The words illustrated are combat, v., armed, sans (without), armour, discover, corner, grieve, prov. E. mouch (to hide, play, truant; cf. A. F. muscee), adversary, proffer, battle, plea, defender, de

fend, firmament, demand, judgment, defendant, pass, champion, appellor, felony, command (cf. commend), prison.

§ 36. The year-books of Edward I are especially valuable for technical legal terms and phrases; besides which many ordinary words are also contained there. But as it is difficult to find a passage of general interest, I pass on to the exceedingly valuable books of the Gildhall of London, the Liber Albus and Liber Custumarum. These are of later date, but abound with good illustrations of words and phrases. besides throwing much light on the ordinances of the city and the customs by which its trade was regulated. One short passage must suffice; but the reader should remark that. whether it was because the order of words in English affected that in Anglo-French, or vice versa, there is an extremely English air about the whole passage; and we may be quite sure that, at this late date, the writer knew his English perfectly well. It can be translated almost word for word. Liber Albus was edited by H. T. Riley (Record Series), 1859; and was compiled in 1419 from older materials. The date of the passage quoted is 1363; p. 400. It is thoroughly business-like.

E. From the Liber Albus.

Et qe nulle brocour se medle de nulle manere brocage, sil ne soit acceptz et jurrez devaunt lez Mair et Audermans; et qils amesnent le vendour et lachatour ensemble, come en lour surements pluis pleinement est compris. Et outre ceo, qe chescun brocour troeve sufficiantz plegges, qil ne se mellera de faire nulle bargayn de usure, sur peyne de paier .c. livres a la Chambre, et outre pur encoure la peyne en la suisdite ordinance compris. Et

And that no broker meddle with any manner (of) brokerage, unless he be accepted and sworn before the Mayor and the Alderinen; and that they bring the vendor and the buyer together, as in their oaths more fully is comprised. And beyond this, that each broker find sufficient pledges, that he will not meddle with making any (lit. no) bargain of usury, on pain of paying 100 pounds to the Chamber, and also of incurring the penalty in the

si ascun sache ascun homme deinzein faire encontre ascun dez pointz suisditz, face ent assavoir lez Maire et Aldermans a la dite citee. Et si le trespassour ent soit convicte, le certifiant avera la quarte partie de la fyn pur soun travaille.

above-said ordinance comprised. And if anyone know of any man, a denizen, doing contrary to any of the points aforesaid, let him do to wit of it the Mayor and Aldermen of the said city. And if the trespasser be convicted thereof, the (person so) certifying shall have the fourth part of the fine for his trouble.

§ 37. It may be noted that s in the combination sn, viz. in amesnent, was wholly silent, and the effect was only to lengthen the preceding vowel; the same remark applies to sl and sm; as in isle, E. isle; blasmer, E. blame. Lachatour is for le achatour, 'the buyer'. The form ent helps to show the etymology of F. en, viz. from Lat. inde. Assavoir is for a savoir, 'to know'. The z in lez is here a mere z, not ts. The termination -our in vendour is, in this word, now written -or; and, though of Latin origin, it was so thoroughly identified in the English mind with the A. S. suffix -ere, E. -er, that we now incorrectly write broker, trespasser, etc., without the least compunction. See Broker in the New E. Dictionary.

I feel sure that the reader who glances over the preceding extracts with any degree of attention or curiosity, will be prompt to admit my main proposition; that, if we are to gain any light upon our early French words, it is useless to consult mere modern French for the purpose. And if we once begin to consult Old French at all, we may just as well consult our own Anglo-French books at once, as the material is abundant and excellent of its kind, besides being written with precisely the very symbols which were employed for Middle English, so that the old spelling is at once intelligible to any one who can read our own thirteenth-century literature.

In the next chapter we will consider the general laws which regulate the changes produced in the forms of A.F. words by the powerful effect of the English accent.

CHAPTER V.

EFFECTS OF THE ENGLISH ACCENT.

§ 38. Before considering the peculiarities of the English vowel-sounds, as resulting from those found in A.F. forms, it will be convenient to consider the changes of a more general character which readily took place in words borrowed from A.F. into the M.E. vocabulary. The most powerful influence which operated immediately upon such words was produced by the peculiarity of the English accent, which easily brought about several curious transformations.

The Anglo-French accent was probably not very strongly marked, and it frequently fell upon syllables in which, to an Englishman, it seemed strange and inconvenient. This arose, in many instances, from the retention of the Latin accent.¹ Thus the Lat. accusative rationem was shortened into A. F. resoun (rèzuu'n), retaining the principal accent of the Latin word. Hence we find resoun at the end of the fourth line in Extract C (§ 32). But the English language delights in throwing back the accent of uncompounded substantives on to an earlier syllable. Hence, after adopting the word resoun into Middle English, the A. F. accentuation soon became intolerable, and there was a strong tendency to turn it into réson (rèèzun), the latter syllable being shortened by the lack of stress. Hence the mod. E. réason (rii'zn) is the natural result; it could

¹ The law of Latin accentuation is, simply, that the main accent falls on the penult, if the penult is long; otherwise on the antepenult.'—King and Cookson, Sounds, etc. in Greek and Latin, p. 284.

not well become anything else. In Chaucer's time the accent upon this word (and many others of the like kind) was still unfixed; and the poet artfully takes advantage of this circumstance to use whichever form happens, at the moment, to be more convenient. Thus, in the Monkes Tale, B. 3408, we find the line:—

Til that he knew, by grace and by resóun—
riming with habitacioun, etc. But in the Clerk's Prologue,
E. 25, we find:—

As far as résoun axeth, hardily.

This is only one of a large number of examples. I have already noted, in my Introduction to Chaucer's Prioresses Tale, etc., p. lxv, that 'honour, in B. 1654, is followed by honour in the very next line; and again, fortun' in l. 3185, with the -e suppressed, becomes fortun-e only six lines lower (l. 3191) with the e sounded.' The order of forms in these other words is just the same as before. The Lat. acc. honorem produced the A.F. honour (onuur), which became the E. honour; and the Lat. fortuna produced the A.F. fortun-e (fortyyna), which became the E. fortune, vulgarly fortun' or fortin'. The importance of considering the effect of the E. accent must be obvious, as it sways the whole of the language.

§ 39. For full details concerning English accentuation, see Koch, *Grammatik*, i. 149; especially his remarks on the accentuation of words of Latin and French origin, p. 170. Only some of the more important results will be given here; and it may be well to consult my former remarks on the effect of the E. accent, in vol. i. ch. 25.

The English accent is one of great force. It falls so heavily upon the stressed syllable that the unstressed syllable is frequently lightened and reduced to comparative unimportance. Hence, in words that terminate in liquids, the vowel preceding the liquid is absolutely lost in pronunciation,

and the liquid itself becomes vocalic. The words bottle, fathom, button, butter are reduced, in practice, to the forms which, in romic spelling, may be written—(bot·l), (fædh·m). (bət·n), (bət·r).1 The Anglo-French accent was much more equable; but borrowed words were made to conform to the English habit, which often produced some rather violent alterations. In the case of dissyllabic uncompounded substantives, the usual rule is, as stated above, that English prefers to accent the former syllable; hence we say réason, séason, counsel, country, pity, without any regard to the fact that, in Anglo-French, the accent was on the latter syllable. In the case of compound substantives, in which the former syllable is a common prefix, there is much divergence of use. We still keep the M. E. accent in such words as advice, affair, decrée, default, despair, diséase, distréss, excess, redréss; but such cases are, after all, not very common. English does not hesitate to accent even the prefix, as in áccent, ádvent, cóllege, cónvent, désert, dístance, éxploit, inquest, nónage, péril, présent, próvince; all words of early introduction. See the Alphabetic Index to Miss Skeat's Word-list. The reason for such variation must be sought for in the history and use of each word; but it is not difficult to see that some at least of the former set of words have been influenced by the accent of related verbs. Thus advice, excéss are naturally associated with the verbs advise, excéed; whilst decrée, defáult, despáir, distréss, redréss, can be used as verbs also. Diséase has the same accent as diséased; and affair was originally two distinct words (a faire), the latter being a verb. We cannot therefore fully consider the accent on substantives apart from that on verbs.

§ 40. In borrowing words from foreign languages, by far the largest number of such importations are substantives. We very rarely borrow verbs, except from French and Latin,

¹ The r is only properly preserved when a vowel follows; as in 'the butter is good.'

and very few of our verbs are of late French origin. With Anglo-French the case is different. It is one great mark of the thoroughness with which Anglo-French and Middle English were blended, that we borrowed A. F. verbs in large numbers and without hesitation, though they were invariably forced into agreement with the laws of English grammar, being all treated as weak verbs, with the pt. t. in -ede or -ed, and the pp. in -ed. Our grammars usually draw attention to the distinction made in modern English between the substantives accent, collect, conflict, convict, torment, etc., and the verbs to accent, collect, conflict, convict, torment1; but they do not usually assign any reason. It obviously arose from the fact that, in such a verb as convért, the M.E. form was not originally dissyllabic in the Midland dialect, but made the infinitive mood as convérten, whilst the pt. t. and pp. were (and are) convérted, and the pres. pt. was (and is) convérting. Owing to the constant use of the past tense, and of the past and present participles of such verbs, it was obviously inconvenient to throw back the accent; such forms as converted and converting would require a long time to bring them about, and we have not as yet proceeded so far, though we may do so in the future.2 The old verb to exíle, for example, as in Rich. II. i. 3. 283, has the pp. éxil'd even in Macb. v. 8, 66; because the pp. suffix -ed had been reduced to -d. But in the sb. cónvert, the accent was naturally thrown back, to make it conform to the substantives of A.S. origin, such as fáthom. mother, and the like. Hence the substantives and verbs were launched upon the language under different conditions; and the distinction which thus naturally arose, being kept up by the continued use of such forms as converted, conflicting, conducted, etc., was retained, for convenience, as a mode of distinction between the two parts of speech. In other cases, as in diséase, the substantive was affected by the verb; the

¹ See the list in Koch, Grammatik, i. 194.

² Shakespeare has convertite; K. John, v. 1. 19.

verb disésen was once common (Chaucer, Wyclif). Or the verb was affected by the substantive, as in éxile. Much depends upon the history; we shall have to ascertain, in each case, whether the substantive or the verb is older, and which was in commoner use. Even the form of the prefix and the manner in which the word is compounded, may make a difference. When all these things are considered, the existing discrepancies in use cease to cause any surprise; and they can all, no doubt, be accounted for.

- § 41. As the change of accent, in such cases as the above, causes no change in the appearance of the written word, it does not give us any trouble in ascertaining etymologies. But there are instances in which the force of the English accent has done violence to the very forms themselves, and may cause some doubt or difficulty. Unstressed syllables become so slight that they may disappear altogether. The cases of such disappearance may be considered under the headings Aphaeresis, Apocope, or Syncope, according as the loss occurs at the beginning, the end, or in the middle of a word.
- § 42. Aphaeresis. Examples are given by Behrens, Beiträge, etc., p. 64; but many of them involve words now obsolete, which it is not my intention to consider. When the aphaeresis is such that the loss is confined to a single unaccented vowel, such as a- or -e, it is called by Dr. Murray by the name of aphesis (vol. i. p. 385); and this is the easiest way in which such loss can take place.

Aphesis (loss of initial vowel). Loss of a. Examples are: Cates, provisions, delicacies, short for acates, which see in the New E. Dict. Mend, short for amend; from A. F. amender, S. R. 33 (A.D. 1275). Peal (of bells), formerly

¹ It follows that accented syllables do not disappear. Hence the old notion that tram is derived from Mr. Outram requires that Outram was pronounced as Outram; which is incredible. But the credulous do not respect rules that are inconvenient to their faith.

M. E. apele, lit. an appeal, from A. F. apel, Y. a. 313. Pert, shown by Dr. Murray (s. v. apert) to stand for apert,1 formerly used in the same sense of 'forward in manner, bold, insolent'; as in: 'With proude wordes apert, that passeth his rule'; Ploughman's Crede, l. 541; from A. F. apert, lit. 'open,' hence, 'rude.' 2 Pose, verb, from M. E. aposen; see Appose in the New E. Dictionary. Prentice, the same as apprentice; M. E. prentys, aprentys (P. Pl.); from A. F. aprentiz, L. A. 272. Tire, in the sense of 'attire,' v., 2 Kings ix. 30; M. E. tyr, atir, s., attire, (Will. of Palerne); from A. F. atirer, attirer, S. R. 103, L. 374. Vamp, the fore-part of a boot or shoe; M.E. uaumpez (plural), Ancren Riwle, p. 420: from A. F. *avauntped 3= O. F. avantpied (Godefroy); a compound of avaunt, before, in front, and ped, foot. Vaward, vanward, short for vant-warde (Rob. of Glouc. 7478); and this for avant-warde, from A.F. avant, before, fore, and warde, guard. So also crew; see Accrue, sb. in the New E. Dictionary.

Loss of e. Loss of e occurs in A. S. biscop, from Lat. episcopus. Similarly, in words of A. F. origin, we find scape for escape, from A. F. escaper, verb; where the prefix is probably es- (Lat. ex-), so that the e was here essential. But we must also remember that the French had a difficulty in sounding the initial sc, sp, st, in Latin words, and had acquired the habit of prefixing an inorganic e.4 The English had no such difficulty, but preferred such initial sounds, so that they naturally dropped this needless vowel-sound.

¹ So in my Dictionary, partially; but I also suggested a derivation from W. pert. This is wrong; the W. word is probably borrowed (with many more) from M. E.

² Godefroy (O. F. Dict.) gives, as meanings of apert, 'indiscret, impudent, effronté.' And cf. E. mal-apert.

⁸ The forms marked with an asterisk are theoretical; however sure we may be of a particular form, we cannot always find it in the extant MSS. We are sure of this form because its equivalent occurs in O. F.

⁴ We even find A. F. esprot representing E. sprat; L. A. 345.

Hence we find spy, squire, in use, as well as espy, esquire, from A. F. espier, verb, P. S. 278, and A. F. esquier, s., P. S. 127. In mod. F. the prefix es- is reduced to e-. Hence we find such curious parallel forms as the following: F. écacher, E. squash; F. écaille, écale, E. shell, scale; F. écarlate, E. scarlet; F. écarver, E. scarf, v.; F. échafaud, E. scaffold; F. échalote, E. shallot; F. échantillon, E. scantling; F. échapper, E. escape; F. écharpe, E. scarf, s.; F. échars, E. scarce; F. échasses, E. skates; F. échauder, E. scald; F. échoppe, E. shop; F. éclater, from the same source as E. slate, M.E. sclat (Chaucer, Minor Poems); F. école, E. school; F. écot, E. scot, shot; F. écoute, E. sheet (as a nautical word); F. écouter, v., to listen, E. scout, s.; F. écran, E. screen; F. ecrin, E. shrine; F. écrivain, E. scrivener; F. écrou, E. screw; F. écrou, an entry in a prison-book, E scroll; F. écrouelles, E. scroyles, Shak. K. John, ii. 1. 373; F. écume, E. scum; F. écurer, E. scour; F. écusson, E. scutcheon, escutcheon; F. écuyer, E. squire. Of words beginning with sp and st it may suffice to mention F. éparvin, E. spavin; F. étable, E. stable. In many cases the E. presents the older form, and approaches more nearly to the original.

For our present purpose it makes no difference whether the e is essential or inorganic, so that all the cases may be taken together. We thus see that the following derivations will hold. Scandal, M.E. scandle, from A.F. * escandle = O.F. escandle (Burguy). Scantling (dimension of timber), formerly scantlon, as given by Palsgrave, who has 'Scantlon of a cloth, eschantillon'; M.E. scantilon, a carpenter's measure, Rom. of the Rose, 7066; A.F. escauntiloun, dimensions, L.A. 278. Scape, escape; A.F. escaper (above). Scarce, M.E. scarlet, A.F. escars, Be. 602; scarcity, A.F. escarcetē. Scarlet, A.F. escarlet, escarlet. Scholar, M.E. scolere, A.F. escoler. Scorch is probably of Teut. origin (see Supp. to my Dict., 2nd ed. p. 826), but seems to have been influenced by A.F. escorcher, to strip, flay, E. C. 3747, L. b.

300. Scorn, s. M.E. skorn, also schorn, scharn; A.F. escharnir, v., to scorn. Scourge, M. E. scourge, scurge; A. F. escurge, C. A. 1500. Scout, s.; from A. F. escouter, to Scriven-er, M.E. scrivein (Chaucer), mod. E. -er added; A. F. escrivein. Scroll, dimin. of M. E. scrow, scroue; cf. E. escrow, a deed delivered on condition; A. F. escrou-et, S. R. 190 (A.D. 1322), dimin. of O.F. escroe, a shred, piece of parchment (Godefroy). Scutcheon, escutcheon; A. F. escuchoun, L. 358. Skirmish, v., from A. F. eskermiss-, inceptive stem of A. F. eskermir. to fence, L. C. 282. The sb. skirmish answers to A. F. escarmuche, a skirmish, P. N. 211. Slander, M. E. sclandre (Ch.), sclaundre (Wycl.); A. F. esclandre, esclaundre, S. R. 34 (A. D. 1275). Here the sound of scl (skl) passed into that of shl (shl), and then into simple sl. Similarly we have slave from A.F. esclave, unless it was borrowed in later times from F. esclave (Cotgrave). Slice, M. E. slice, sclice; cf. A. F. esclicuns, splinters (E. C. 276), from O. F. esclice, a slice (Godefroy). Space, A. F. espace. Spawn, v., put for * spaund; from A.F. espaundre, to spread, to spawn, Wright's Vocab. 1. 164, where the word is glossed (in the MS.) by scheden his roune, i.e. shed his roe (misprinted him frome); A.F. espandre, to shed, Vie de St. Auban. Special, A. F. especial, Y. f. 55. Specialty, A. F. especialte, Y.f. 53. Specify, A.F. specefier, especefier. Spicery, A. F. spicerie, L. A. 224; spelt especerie, B. i. 96. Spine, a thorn; A. F. espine, E. C. 765. Spirit, A. F. spirit, Be. 450. also espirit, S. R. 126 (A. D. 1297). Spiritual, A. F. espiritual. Y. b. 489; so also A. F. espiritualte (spiritualty), ibid. Spoils, s., pl., A. F. espoilles, C. A. 1327. Spouse, s., A. F. espuse, s. fem., E. C. 3883; espouse, L. 320. Spy, espy, A. F. espier (above). Squash, v., A. F. esquacher; in B. i. 314, the pp. esquache occurs in the sense of 'rent,' or 'torn,' as a various reading for rout (broken): in E. C. 260, the infin. esquessir means 'to crush.' Squire, esquire, A. F. esquier, P. S. 127. Squirrel, A. F. * esquirel, only in

the pl. esquireus, esquireux, L. A. 225, 231. Stable, adj. (firm); A. F. estable, L. C. 66. Stablish, establish; A. F. establisse, 1 pr. s. R. W. 184, from infin. establir, S. R. 158. Stage, A. F. estage (platform), G. 6006. Standard (banner), A. F. estandard, L. 476. Standard (of measure), A. F. estandard, S. R. 285 (A.D. 1340). Stank, a pool, A.F. estank (dam of a mill), Y. b. 451; also estang, Y. a. 415 (an older form). Staple (of wares), A. F. estaple, S. R. 332, where is given the Statute of Staples, A.D. 1353. State, estate, M. E. estat, A. F. estat (rank), S. R. 126. Stature, A. F. estature, L. R. 74. Statute, A. F. statut, estatut. Stencil, A. F. estenciller, L. b. 430. Sterling (coin), A. F. esterling, 1 s., S. R. 132 (A.D. 1299). The stews in Southwark are called les estouves in the Liber Albus, p. 277; see Stew in my Dict. Store, s., A. F. estor (farming stock), B. ii. 21. Story, M. E. storie; A. F. estorie (history), P. N. 454.2 Stour, S., conflict, tumult of battle (obsolete, but common in Spenser), M. E. stour; A. F. estur, battle, G. 1893. Stout, A. F. estout (see Godefroy); the adv. estoutement, stoutly, occurs in the French Chron. of London, p. qr. Stover, fodder for cattle; A. F. estover, sustenance, Y. a. 19. Strain, v.; A. F. estraint, he strains (infin. estraindre), L. 188. Strait, adj. narrow; A. F. estreit, earlier estraite (fem. form), S. R. 132 (A.D. 1299); cf. A.F. estraitement, straitly, L. C. 189, F. C. 56, L. R. 246. Strange, A. F. estrange, L. W. 23. Strangle, A. F. estrangler, Be. 1286. Stray, s., A. F. stray, L. C. 434, earlier estray, B. i. 67. Strife, A. F. estrif, L. C. 21; E. C. 289. Strive, A. F. estriver, W. W. 5390, L. R. 76. Study, A. F. estudie, s., a reverie, E. C. 1296; estudier, v., L. b. 110.

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¹ This is a difficult case. If it is really derived from a word meaning 'Easterling,' the accent most have shifted from *esterling* to *esterling*. Matt. Paris, an. 1247, mentions 'moneta *Esterlingorum*'; Ducange.

² From Lat. historia; and therefore a doublet of history.

³ Shortened from esturm, from G. Storm; cf. our phrase—'to storm a fortress.' For loss of final m, cf. F. ver, L. uermem.

Stuff, s., A. F. estuf, R. W. 181 (A. D. 1399); estoffer, v., to stuff, F. C. 81. Stun, A. F. estuner, E. C. 280; see Estoner in Godefroy. Sturgeon, A. F. estourgeoun, B. i. 68.

§ 43. Aphaeresis (continued). I now pass on to examples in which an initial syllable, consisting of more than a single vowel, has been lost.

Loss of af-. E. fray, affray, A. F. affrai de la pees, a breach of the peace, S. R. 258 (A. D. 1328), also effrai, a better form, L. C. 684.

Loss of de-, di- (esp. before sp). E. fence, short for de-fence, A. F. defence, defense. E. fend, fender, short for de-fend, defender; from A. F. defendre, v. E. spend, short for di-spend; we even find A. S. spendan, from Lat. di-spendere. E. spender, for di-spender, M. E. despendour (Ch.), A. F. despendeour, L. C. 18. E. Spencer, Spenser (as a surname), M. E. Despencer, Rob. Glouc. I. 11720, A. F. le Despenser, L. C. 211; cf. Lat. Dispensator, L. C. 28. E. spite, de-spite, M. E. despit, A. F. despit, S. R. 31; cf. the phrase en despit, in spite, P. N. 482. E. splay 2, as in splay-footed, short for di-splay, M. E. displayen, desplayen (Gower, ii. 143) A. F. desplayer, L. C. 148, desplaer, B. i. 354, desplier, S. R. 186 (A. D. 1322). E. sport, di-sport, A. F. desport (mirth), L. C. 219. To these add, that spoil, stress, were confused with despoil, distress. M. E. stroien for destroien (destroy), is not uncommon.

Loss of en. E. gin, a trap, short for en-gin, and a doublet of éngine, M. E. engin, engine, A. F. engin, an implement, E. C. 3769, engine, S. R. 247 (A. D. 1325). E. sample, also en-sample, A. F. ensample, S. R. 104 (A. D. 1285).

Loss of es-. E. cheater, short for escheater, one who escheats (whence the verb to cheat); formed from escheat, s., M. E.

¹ See Astone, Astoned, Astonied, Astonish in the N.E. Dict.

^{&#}x27;There stood the Fiend, and stopt their passage out,
And splaying foorth her filthy armes beknit with Snakes about'; etc.

Golding, tr. of Ovid, Met. iv. fol. 50.

§ 44.] eit = e fum APGCOPE.

eschete, A. F. eschete, Y. a. 230, fuller form eschaete, A. B. 448. E. chess (for checks), M. E. ches, A. F. esches 1, W. W. 4106, fuller form echeks (better escheks), id. 1531. Chess is really the plural of check, M.E. chek; Cotgrave gives the O.F. eschec, 'a check, at chess-play,' the original sense being 'O king!', to call attention to the fact that the king was in danger. The word check was afterwards extended to any kind of interruption; Godefroy gives examples of O.F. eschec in the sense of battle, and even of booty taken in battle. 'The Chequers' as an inn-sign refers to the M.E. cheker, a chessboard; we also find M. E. cheker, fuller form eschekere, the court of exchequer, named from the checkered cloth on which accounts were calculated by means of counters; cf. A.F. chekere, pp. chequered, R. W. 25 (A. D. 1360); A. F. escheker, the exchequer, S. R. 32 (A. D. 1275). Chine, for eschine, A. F. eschine, the back, P. S. 233.

Loss of (h)o-. E. spital, spittal, spittle, as in the Spittal of Glenshee, between Braemar and Blairgowrie, M. E. spitel, a hospital, Ancren Riwle, p. 148; A. F. hospital, Y. a. 281; which must have been accented as hospital in M. E., and probably had been accented as hospital in A. F.

Loss of (h) y-. E. dropsy, M. E. dropesy, dropecy, Cursor Mundi, 11829, short for y-dropsi (same reference), fuller form hy-dropsy; A. F. not found; F. hydropisie.

§ 44. Apocope. The loss of a letter or letters at the end of words is so common that it hardly needs illustration; nor does it, like aphaeresis, materially alter the word's appearance. Most common of all is the loss of final -e after it had ceased to be sounded. It must not be forgotten that this really means the loss of a whole syllable. Thus E. beast, feast, are mono-

¹ The plural esches is regular. M. Gaston Paris notes that, in the Norman dialect, labials and gutturals are lost before the pl. suffix s; he instances the sbs. colp, chief, eschec, and the adj. blanc, as forming the plurals cols, chies, esches, blans. See his observations, in Pref. to Extraits de la Chanson de Roland, p. 43.

syllables; whereas M. E. and A. F. best-e, fest-e were dissyllabic. So also, in such a case as fortune, the final e is now mute; but it was once sounded, as in M. E. and A. F. fortun-e, which was trisyllabic.

It is important to notice that the M. E. and A. F. suffix -i-e, -y-e, formed two syllables; modern E. retains the -y, but drops the -e. Examples are numerous, as in the following cases.

The following words all end in -y-e in Chaucer, and in -i-e in A. F.; viz. chivalry, company, conspiracy, courtesy (M. E. curteisve, A. F. curtesie), envy, felony, folly (M. E. folye, A. F. folie), gluttony (M. E. glotonye, A. F. glotonie), jealousy (M. E. Ialousye=jalousye, A. F. gelousie), malady, melody, minstrelsy (M. E. and A. F. minstralcye), remedy, treachery (M. E. trecherye, A. F. tricherie), villainy (M. E. vileynye, A. F. vilanie). By consulting Mr. Cromie's Rime-Index to Chaucer, it will appear that every one of the above words is employed by the poet at the end of a line, and invariably rimes with words in -y-ë. At the same time he also uses words ending in -y only, which rime with a different set of words, viz. such as have no final e. Most of these are of A. S. origin, or end with the suffix -ly; but amongst them we find enemy and mercy. Enemy is from A. F. enemi, Vie de Saint Auban; whilst mercy is from A. F. merci. Italian is often helpful in separating the forms; thus, for the two last words, Italian has nemico (or inimico) and merce (or mercede); whilst words of the other set commonly end in -i-a, as: compagnia, cortesia, felonia, follia, gelosia, melodia, villania; and 'remedy' is remedio. Hence this peculiarity in Chaucer's method of riming is justified by etymology. Other noticeable words are glory, story, victory; these rime together in Chancer as glóri-e, stóri-e, victóri-e, i.e. the last three syllables rime together; the A.F. forms are glorie, Be. 99; estorie, P. N. 454; victorie, P. S. 125. Cf. Ital. gloria, storia, vittoria. Indeed, Chaucer has several other words of the

same class, viz. consistórie, A. F. consistorie, F. C. 54; memórie, A. F. memorie, G. 1950; offertórie; oratórie; paritórie, i. e. pellitory (the plant); purgatórie; stillatórie, a still for distilling. Of these, we have shifted the accent backward in consistory, mémory, offertory, oratory, péllitory, púrgatory, each of which has been shorn of a final (syllabic) e.

In some cases the loss of the sound of the final e obscures the etymology. In the phrase treasure trove (pron. trouv), the latter word is really $trov-\bar{e}$, the old pp. of the verb trover, to find; A.F. trove, pp., Y. a. 23. In the word riches, the etymology has been obscured. Though it looks like a pl. sb., it is M. E. riches-se, A. F. riches-ce, L. 328; plural riches-ces, Vie de St. Auban. So also cherry is for cherise, a Northern F. form corresponding to cerise, E. C. 3234. In the case of the word vamp, only one syllable remains out of three; it has suffered both aphesis and apocope; Palsgrave wrote it as vauntpe, and in Phillips' Dict. it is vampay; but the A. F. form is avant-ped, as noted above in § 42. On the other hand, we preserve the final syllable in the case of words ending in -le and -re, by vocalising the l or r; thus we have buckle, double, noble, title, from A. F. bocle, duble, noble, title. Likewise, cloister, number, oyster, powder, tiger, from A.F. cloistre, numbre, oistre, poudre, tigre.

§ 45. Syncope. The strong tendency, in English, to suppress the middle vowel of a trisyllabic word after an accented syllable, as in Glo'ster for Gloucester, and fortnight for fourteen-night, has already been noticed in vol. i. p. 498, § 457. The same loss of a medial vowel is common in words of A. F. origin, particularly before the liquids l, m, n, r, or the letters s, t, and v. See Behrens, Beiträge, p. 66.

Before l. Buckler, M. E. bokeler, A. F. bokeler, L. C. 282. Buller, M. E. botler, boteler, also botiler, botiller (see Mätzner's Dict.), from A. F. botiller, L. C. 466, with the sense of 'bottler.' Chandler, M. E. and A. F. chaundeler, L. A. 259. Cutler, M. E. cotilere, from A. F. cotillere, L. C. 185. Hamlet,

M. E. hamelet, A. F. hamelet, Y. a. 25. Parlous (Shak.) is from M. E. perlous, by the change of er to ar (vol. i. p. 406, § 381); short for perilous, A. F. perilus, E. C. 1519. Poulterer, with reduplicated -er, formerly poulter (Shak.), M. E. pulter, from A. F. pulleter, L. A. 465, also poleter, S. R. 351. (Cf. E. pullet, A. F. pullet; sometimes shortened to poult).

Before m. Almond, M. E. almand, A. F. alemaunde, L. A. 224; put for al-amaunde, where al is the Arabic article; see N. E. Dict. Amendment, A. F. amendement, S. R. 26. Amercement, M. E. and A. F. amerciment; see N. E. Dict. Commandment, M. E. and A. F. comaundement, S. R. 27. So also many other words ending in -ment, as advance-ment, commence-ment, judg-ment, etc.; A. F. avanc-e-ment, comence-e-ment, iug-e-ment. Garment, short for garnment, M. E. and A. F. garnement, S. R. 221.

Before n. Chimney, M. E. chimene, A. F. chimenee, a fire-place, L. A. 333. Hackney, M. E. and A. F. hakeney, S. R. 288. Laundress, formed with suffix -ess from M. E. launder, lavender, A. F. lavender, L. b. 356. Partner, M. E. partener, parcener, the forms being confused; c and t are often indistinguishable in MSS., and the word part influenced the pronunciation; A. F. parcenere, parcener; Y. a. 45, 155. Remnant, M. E. and A. F. remenant, L. W. 47.

Before r. Curfew, M.E. corfew, curfew (Chau. C.T. 3645); A. F. curfeu, covrefeu, L. A. 639, 276; from coevrir, to cover, and feu, fire. Kerchief, also curchief (Shak.), M.E. coverchef, A. F. keverchief, R. W. 100 (A.D. 1381), also *coevrechief; from (coevrir) to cover, and chief, the head. Tumbrel, from A. F. tumberel, L. C. 285. Wardrobe; from A. F. *warderobe; I only find the equivalent later form garderobe, S. R. 34. In the same way, but owing to the accent falling after the r, the

^{1 &#}x27;Uxor. This is a perlous case'; Towneley, Mysteries (Noah and his Wife).

² The *e* appears in Spenser, F. Q. i. 3. 9:—'From her fayre eyes he tooke command-e-ment.'

A. F. corone (Y. a. 113) or coronne (L. C. 217) became M. E. corone, coronne, croune; whence E. crown. Here too we may place the word ginger (=ging(iv)er); from A. F. gingivre, L. A. 224.

Before s. Constable; A.F. conestable, Y. c. 15. Damsel, M. E. damosel, King Alexander, ed. Weber, 171; A. F. damoysele, L. 248. Forster (Chaucer), foster (Spenser). contractions of forester; A. F. forester, S. R. 144 (A.D. 1305). Frensy, M.E. frenesie; A.F. frenesi, W.W. 11954. Marshal, M. E. and A. F. mareschal, V. Palsy, M. E. palesy, Wyclif; O.F. palacin, palazin (Godefroy; Lat. acc. paralysin); also A. F. paralesi, W. W. 10434. Sexton, M. E. sextein, Chaucer, C.T. Group B. 3126; put for sek'stein; A. F. secrestein, a sacristan, E. C. 1998. Venison, pronounced as romic (venz'n); from A. F. venison, S. R. 374 (A.D. 1362). older forms veneson, S. R. 161 (A.D. 1311); veneysun, A. B. 478. In the same way, contraction takes place before c sounded as s; as in medicine, pronounced as romic (med sn). A. F. medicine, Be. 787; medecine, L. 120. So also proxy, formerly prockesy (Palsgrave), M. E. prokecye (Prompt. Parv.); contracted from A. F. procuracie, power of attorney, Lit. 158 (A.D. 1325), L.A. 423.

In the same way, the verb to punish was sometimes shortened to punsh or punch; thus, in the Coventry Mysteries, p. 75, we find 'punchyth me, lorde,' i.e. 'punish me, Lord,' and in the Prompt. Parv. we find 'punchyn, or chastysyn, punysshen, Punio.' Hence we have the phrase 'to punch his head,' literally, 'to punish his head'; and we see that the right form is punsh (pensh); as distinct from punch (pench), to perforate.

¹ The A. F. word also appears as *marchal*, S. R. 34 (A. D. 1275). The A. F. ch was sounded as ch in chalk, but the combination sch easily passed into sh, which was written as sch in M. E. The frequent use of the symbol sch for sh in M. E. points to confusion between s followed by ch and the simple sh. The M. E. sh (also written sch) usually arises from A. F. ss.

Before t. Nurture; A. F. nurture, S. R. 104; norture, Y. c. 477; fuller forms nureture, L. W. 21; noriture, S. R. 224 a. Pantry, A. F. panetrie, L. 334; L. C. 461; cf. panneter, a seneschal, L. C. 168. Proctor, M. E. proketour, contracted from A. F. procuratour, L. A. 423. Safety, put for savety, M. E. sauete (=savete), P. Plowman, C. 13. 55; A. F. sauvete, P. S. 233.

Before v. Canvass, M. E. canevas (Ch.), A. F. canevas, L. A. 225, also canevace, S. R. 368. Compare palfrey, M. E. palefrey, O. E. Misc. 165, A. F. palefrey, for *palevrei.

It may be added that numerous contracted forms are found in M. E. which we no longer use. Thus in P. Plowman we find norssheth as well as norischeth, i.e. nourisheth; polsche as well as polische, to polish; vanshede, vanished, etc. Still more curious is comse for 'commence'; see the Glossary.

Behrens (Beitr. 68) further remarks, that the contracting influence of English upon Anglo-French began very early, as examples are found soon after 1200. We already find the A.F. form age in the Statutes of the Realm, p. 29, A.D. 1275, and the M. E. age in the Kentish Sermons of the thirteenth century (An O. E. Miscellany, ed. Morris, p. 35); but the fuller forms are aäge, A.B. 474; eäge, Y. c. 315, from an earlier O.F. edage, derived from Low Lat. aetaticum.

§ 46. I shall now attempt to give a list of the more usual results of the developments of the modern E. sounds from those of A.F. I do not give all the possible varieties, nor note all the exceptions; but the examples will, at any rate, indicate pretty clearly what are the more usual changes, and at the same time bring into notice some of the more remarkable deviations from the rules. The diphthongs are considered apart from the vowels, but the long and short vowels will be discussed together, or rather, in close connection with

¹ Cf. proxy for procuracy (above). There was even a M. E. verb proc'ren (prokren), to procure; it occurs in the Wars of Alexander (E. E. T. S.).

each other. The words are grouped according to the *modern* pronunciation of the vowel in the *accented* syllable, and with reference in general to the consonant which immediately *follows* such vowel; because, as has been shown before (vol. i. p. 400, § 375), that consonant often materially affects the quality of the vowel. We also have to consider the case in which a vowel is affected by the consonant that *precedes* it; the only consonant that has this effect is w, or the closely related wh and qu.

§ 47. There is one more point, of much importance, that must be explained beforehand, viz. the question of the length of the English vowel in words of A. F. origin. We shall find that it depends upon two things, viz. (1) the mode in which A. F. words were divided into syllables; and (2) the position of the English accent.

Schwan gives the syllabic rules for Gaulish Latin thus. A syllable is said to be open when its vowel is followed by a single consonant, or by a mute and a liquid, or when the word is monosyllabic. Examples of open syllables are seen in the first syllable of ta-lis, pa-trem, cor. But if the vowel is followed by two consonants, or by a consonant such as x, that is equivalent to two consonants, or by a consonant at the end of a polysyllabic word, the syllable is said to be Examples are seen in por-ta, val-lem, trak-si (i.e. Lat. traxi), ak-wa (Lat. agua); to which must be added the numerous cases in which the vowel i (and even \check{e}) had, in practice, the force of the consonantal y; as in glad-yum (acc. of gladius), cav-yam (acc. of cauea), var-yum (L. uarium); and words containing L. ce, ci after an accented vowel, in which the c was palatalised, as in $pa^{i}t$ -sem, $vo^{i}t$ -sem (L. pacem, uocem, Ital. pace, voce, pronounced paarche, voorche); O. F. pais, voiz. At the end of an open syllable, the vowel is said to be free; in a closed syllable, it is said, in French, to be entravé, for which I shall substitute the term enclosed. Thus the a in ta-lis is free, but that in val-lem is enclosed. It will be seen, hereafter, that enclosed vowels also arise in the case

where a medial vowel was dropped in common speech; thus from Lat. caritatem, pronounced as car'tatem, car-tatem, arose F. cher-té; the former a in caritatem being thus, practically, enclosed.

If English had kept exactly to the A.F. accent, we should have had long accented vowels in place of the A.F. free accented vowels, and short accented vowels in place of the A.F. enclosed accented vowels. In fact, we have E. fame (feirm) for the dissyllabic A.F. fa-me (faa ma); and E. temple for A. F. tem-ple (tem-pla1). But examples of the latter class are somewhat rare, owing to the fact that, in a large number of words, we shifted back the accent, and thus acquired a large number of words in which the E. short accented vowel takes the place of an A. F. free unaccented vowel; as when, for example, we use E. dámage (dæm·ij, dæm·ej) in place of A. F. da-má-ge (da-maa-jə). In such cases, the vowel remains short, just as it was at first. Hence the tendency is to preserve the A. F. free long accented vowels as long vowels, and to substitute short accented vowels for free short unaccented vowels. Consequently, many of our monosyllables of A. F. origin contain long vowels or diphthongs; and most of our dissyllables are accented on the former syllable, in which the vowel is short, and is enclosed (contrary to the F. rule) by a single consonant. Examples of the former type are: age, beak, beast, beef, brief, case, cave, choice, chief, chine, clear, close, adj., coat, coin, doubt, duke, ease, fair (for selling things), fame, flour, fool, gage, glebe, guile, guise, hour, jay, joy, etc. Examples of the latter type are: alum, anise, baron, beryl, carol, colour, comet, courage, cousin, covert, crevice, damage, dolour, forest, gravel, homage, honour, image, legate, limit, money, etc. In some cases a doubled letter conceals this fact; as in battle, button, grammar, gutter, jolly, litter, mallard, manner, matter, mutton, etc.; where the M.E. forms are

 $^{^{1}}$ The mark over the former e means that a slight nasal sound was given to the vowel, at least in $\it early$ A. F.

batáille, butóun, gramáire, gotére, iolíf (iólif), litére, malárd (málard), manére, matére, motóun.

A trisyllabic word such as A.F. pá-ve-mént becomes E. pavement, with long a.

An A.F. unaccented *enclosed* vowel necessarily remains short when accented in E.; as in A.F. *dis-tán-ce*, E. *distance*. Examples are numerous.

If the A. F. accent is preserved in E. in dissyllables, a long syllable remains long, as in the case of monosyllables; as in advice, affair, ally, arrive, attire, convey, decree, degree, etc.; in which the accent is not thrown back.

Unaccented syllables, derived from A.F. accented syllables, are much weakened, and those which are derived from A.F. unaccented syllables disappear. Thus pardoun, baraine, are now pardon, barren; and car-i-ā-ge is now carriage (kær-ij).

Other peculiarities will be noticed in due course. Thus E. often has a long vowel or a diphthong before combinations of consonants such as st, mb, nt, etc., as in haste, chamber, bounty.

CHAPTER VI.

WORDS OF ANGLO-FRENCH ORIGIN: EXAMPLES.

- § 48. The vowel A, as treated in an English syllable that is both accented and closed. The E. accented and enclosed a arises from an A. F. a that is likewise accented and enclosed, or else from one that is unaccented. In either case, the A. F. a, when followed by any of the letters b, c (as k), d, f, g, j, k, p, t, v, or x, becomes (x), as in cat (x), in modern English, unless the a is preceded by x or x. Examples are as follows, the words in italics being known A. F. spellings, such as can be verified by my word-lists. They are arranged according to the letter which closes the E. accented syllable.
- (r) Abbeie, abbey; abbesse, abbess; gaber (gabér), to gab (boast, tattle). Detractiun, detraction; detractur, detractor; săc, sack; sacrifise, a sacrifice; attacher, to attach; bacheler, bachelor; adamant, adamant; admiral, admiral; advent, advent; adversarie, adversary; advocat, advocate; saffran, saffron; agates, agate; dragun, dragon; majestē, majesty; hakenéy, hackney; makerél, mackerel; baptesme, baptism; cappe, cap; chapele, chapel; chapelein, chaplain; chapitre, chapter; bataile, battle; bateríe, battery; chatel, chattel (whence pl. chattels); matines, matins; matire (also matere), matter; matrass, materas, mattress; satyn (=satin),

¹ The M. E. spellings resemble the A. F. spellings so closely that I do not, in general, give them. Words not found in the Wordlist of 1882 will be found in the supplementary one of 1888.

² Habit, habit, tablet, tablet, are 'learned' forms. So are some others in the list. Such words do not always conform to the usual laws.

satin; stature, estature, stature; statut, estatut, statute; caverne, cavern; gravel, gravel; savage, savage; taverne, tavern; travail, travail; traverser, traverse; maxime, maxim; tax, tax. So also azúr, azure.

- (2) In the case of A.F. esquacher, to squash, the (x) has become (0) owing to the influence of the preceding qu; vol. i. p. 408, § 383.
- (3) In the word graft, formed with excrescent t from A. F. graffe, s., the original A. F. a (aa) is retained owing to the influence of the following f; and it has become (graaft).
- § 49. But the letters l, m, n, r, s, at the end of a closed accented syllable, often affect the value of the vowel.
- **AL.** There are three developments of al, viz. (1) as (æl), the regular development, as above; (2) as (aa), the sound of al in palm; (3) as (aol), the sound of al in false.
- (1) As (æl). Allegorie, allegory; alom, alum; balaunce, balance; chalenge, challenge; chalice, chalice; galie, galley; galoper, to gallop; galoun, gallon; maladie, malady; malice, malice; malard, mallard; paleis, palace; ralier, to rally; talent, talent; taloun, talon; vallee, valley; valour, valour; value, value.

The word *melancholy*, now conformed to the Greek spelling, was formerly *malencolie* in M.E., as in Gower, C.A. i. 39; the A.F. form was also *malencolye*.

- (2) As (aa); or as al in palm. When the l is dropped in mod. E., the A. F. a (aa) is retained. Alemaunde, almond; almoner, aumoner, almoner; palmere, palmer; psalmistre, psalmist. (In calm, the French l is unoriginal.)
- (3) As (aol); or al in false. Alter, altar; assalt, assault; defalte, default; exalter, to exalt; fals, false; palefrey, palfrey. The l in falcon, fault, is solely due to a knowledge of the Latin forms. Al exchanges with au; see under Au (§ 82).
- § 50. AM. The regular development is (1) into E. (æm). Champion, champion; clamour, clamour; damage, damage; damoisele, M. E. damoisel, now syncopated to damsel, with

which compare O. F. dansel, dancel, which is not uncommon; examiner, to examine; gramaire, grammar; grampais, grampus; hamelet, syncopated to hamlet; lampe, lamp; lamprey, lamprey.

But (2) there was a tendency to nasalise the vowel a before m and n, without absorbing the consonants themselves. The nasalised vowel was often written au, but is represented by the sound (aa) in mod. E.; as in ensample, ensample ensample, sample (saam pl, also sæm pl). See under An and Au. Very often, however, the aum was replaced by am, as in raumpér, whence rampér, to romp, also to ramp; saumoun, M. E. saumóun, (samóun), E. salmon, with silent l. See also under long A (§ 54).

§ 51. AN. The regular development is (1) into E. (æn). Abandoner, abandon; ancestre, ancestor; anguisse, anguish; anys, anise; ban, ban; banere, banner; banir (inceptive stem baniss-), to banish; blanc, blank; blandir (inceptive stem blandiss-), to blandish; blanket, blanket; brand (a sword), brand; brandir (incept. stem brandiss-), to brandish; canevace, M. E. canevas, can'vas, canvass; chanele, chanel, channel; flanc, flank, flank; gangle (a noise of talking), jangle; grandeur, grandeur; hanaper, hanaper, more common in the syncopated form hamper; langage, M.E. langage (langaa ja), now turned into language, with inserted u, due to the influence of Lat. lingua; lanterne, lantern; manere, M. E. manére, manner, with shifted accent; mangler (in comp. demangler), also found in the fuller form mahangler, to mangle; mansion, mansion; mantel, a mantle; manuel, a manual (hand-book); pan, pan; panetrie (M. E. pan'trie), pantry; planete, planet; rancler, to rankle; tannour, a tanner; vanite, vanity.

Also (2), into E. (aan). Avancer, to advance, with inserted d, due to a false etymology; avantage, advantage (the same remark applies); chancel, chancel; chancerie, chancery; chanterie, chantry; comand, s., command (also kəmænd); dance, s., dance; demand, s., demand (also

dəmænd'); enchanter, to enchant; enhancer, to enhance; grant, s., a grant; granter, older form gräanter, to grant; lance, a lance; planter, to plant; transe, a trance. See also under Au (§ 82) and under long A (§ 54).

Also (3) into E. (aon), as in vaunt. Estancher, to staunch; tannē, tawny (also tenny, in heraldry, which is the same word, tenny being a corruption of tanny); danter, to daunt; espandre, to spawn; vanter, to vaunt. See under Au (§ 82).

The word menace was formerly M. E. manáce; from A. F. manace.

§ 52. AR. If w or qu precedes, the ar takes the sound of E. or. See (4) below.

Otherwise, either (1) the r is trilled, in which case ar is regularly developed into (ar); or else (ar) the r becomes untrilled and is (practically) lost, but the old A. F. a remains unchanged, as (aa).

- (1) Trilled r; between two vowels. Apparaill, apparel; arras, arras (orig. a place-name); baraine, barren; barile, barrel; baroun, baron; carier, to carry; cariage, carriage; carole, carol; caruine, M. E. caróine, now altered to carrion; charette, formerly E. charet, now replaced by chariot; charite, charity; clare, M. E. clarre, a clarified drink (L. claratum), distinct from mod. E. claret, from Low Lat. claretum; garauntie, guarautee; mariage, marriage; paroche, M. E. parische, parish.
- (2) Trill lost; ar = (aa), before a consonant. Arbitre, arbiter; arblaster, an arblaster or arbalester (a crossbowman); arc, ark (a bow), arc; archer, archer; argent (in heraldry); armer, to arm; armure, earlier form armeure, armour; arsun, arson; art, art; barbour, barber; barre, bar; bargaine, bargain; barge, barge; carcas, carcase; carfeux, M.E. carfoukes, now Carfax (as at Oxford); cark (load, burden), cark (load of care); carpenter, carpenter; charge, charge; charme, charm; chartre, charter; dart, dart; departir, to depart; fardel, fardel (load); garde, guard; gardin,

garden; A. F. and M. E. garnement, syncopated to garment; garter, garter; hardi, hardy; larcin, whence E. larcen-y; larder, larder, s.; large, large, adj.; marbre, marble (r to l); marche, march (boundary); mareschal, syncopated to marshal; mareys, syncopated to marsh; martir, martyr; parcele, parcel; parcenere, parcener (in law), corruptly partner, due to influence of part; pardoun, pardon; parlement, parliament (with spelling to suit Low Lat. parliamentum); part, part; partie, party; scarlet, scarlet.

- (3) In one case, A. F. and M. E. ar is now or. A. F. escharnir, M. E. scharnen, skarnen, later scornen, to scorn; but this was probably due to confusion with O. F. escorner, to dis-horn, deprive of horns, also to disgrace, put to shame.
- (4) War, quar. If the r is untrilled, we get the curious combination (a02), the r passing into (2), and the influence of the w changing (aa) into (a0). And further, this sound of (a02) is commonly reduced to (a0), with total loss of r.

Award, F. F. 328, award; quart, quart; quarter; rewarder, to reward; reward, s., R. W. 86, reward; wardein, a warden; warderobe (see Godefroy, s. v. garderobe), a wardrobe.

But if the r is trilled, ar becomes like or in forest. Warene (see Godefroy, s. v. garene), later garenne, warren; warant (see Godefroy, s. v. garant and garance), later guarant, a warrant; quarel, a quarrel, i.e. a crossbow-bolt.

For the words dace, parent, etc., see under long A (§ 54).

A.F. marchant, M.E. marchant, survives as a proper name; otherwise it is now merchant, due to connection with Lat. mercator, merx.

§ 53. AS. Regularly developed (1) as (æs). Amasser, to amass; assetz, assets, the same word as assetz, adv., enough, Y. g. 3, P. N. 205; bastard, bastard; chastetē, chastity; jaspe, later form jaspre (with added inorganic r), jasper; vassal, a vassal. So also passiun, passion; and facoun, becoming M. E. fasoun (faa suun), occasionally facioun, mod. E. fashion, with sh for ci.

- (2) The sound (aas) is sometimes retained. The fact is, that the occurrence of s at the end of a syllable did not, in A. F., tend to shorten the vowel. The word cas was also spelt caas, and the vowel (being free, cf. L. ca-sum) was long: so that in mod. E. it has become case (keis). Before l, m, and n, the A.F. s was voiced, and afterwards disappeared in pronunciation altogether; so that isle, blasmer, disner were pronounced as (ii'le), (blaamer), (diimer): cf. E. isle, blame, dine. We even find s introduced into a word merely to mark vowel-length, as in pasle, another form of pale (paa·la), pale. A remarkable example is basme, pronounced (baa·mə), whence E. balm (with inserted l, due to Latin); the s is organic, and was once sounded, the Lat. form being balsamum. (We find also cases in which the A. F. sound of a as (aa) is retained before ss, st, and even sc (=sk). Passer, to pass; pastour, a pastor; pasture, pasture; plastre, plaster; rascaylle, a rabble, whence E. rascal. For other developments of as, see under long A (§ 54).
- § 54. A; as treated in English open accented syllables. This is mod. E. long a; really a diphthong, viz. (ei). It commonly arises from the A. F. free accented a.
- (1) If the A. F. a comes at the end of an open syllable, it is developed into E. a (ei). Examples are:—la-i-te, laity. A-ble¹, able; ca-ble, cable; ta-ble, table; la-bour, labour; ta-bour, tabour, tabor. Ba-coun, bacon. Ba-cin², basin; cha-ce, s. chase; de-fa-cer, to deface; em-bra-cer, to embrace; en-la-cer, to enlace; es-pa-ce, space; fa-ce, face; gra-ce, grace; ma-ce, a mace; pla-ce, place; tra-ce, trace; na-ci-un, nation. De-gra-der, to degrade. Wa-fre, wafer.

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¹ I divide the words into syllables as I suppose they were, for convenience, pronounced by speakers who, of course, knew nothing as to the origin of the words. The etymological division of a word into its component sections is quite another matter. When we add -en to take, we pronounce it ta-ken (tei'kn) rather than tak-en.

² Remember that ce, ci were pronounced (se, si).

A-gu-e, ague. Aa-ge (aa-jə), M. E. aage, age, age; ca-ge, cage; en-ga-ger, to engage; es-ta-ge, stage; ga-ge, gage; pa-ge, page; ra-ge, rage; wa-ge, wage; con-ta-gi-un, contagion; co-ra-g(e)-ous, courageous. A-li-en, alien; ba-le, a bale; mas-le (maa·lə), with silent s (§ 53), male; ma-le, a bag, whence E. mail-bag; blas-mer, later bla-mer, to blame; da-me, dame; des-cla-mer, to disclaim; fa-me, fame. Ca-nyn, canine. Dra-per, draper; es-ca-per, to escape; es-ta-ple, staple. Bla-soun, blazon; e-va-si-oun, evasion. A-ba-tre, pp. a-ba-tu, to abate, compare a-ba-te-ment, sb. abatement; da-te, date (period); da-tes, dates (fruit); pa-tent, patent (pei tont, also pæt ont); pla-te, plate; ra-te, rate; trans-la-ter, to translate; pa-ti-en-ce, patience; ma-tron, matron (mei tron, sometimes mæt'rən); pa-tron, patron (pei'trən, sometimes pæt'rən); na-tú-re (naatyy're), náture (nei'chər). Ca-ve, cave; fa-vour, favour; gra-ve, grave; na-vi-e, navy; pa-vement, pavement; sa-ve-ur, saviour; sa-vour-er, to savour; sa-vur, s., a savour; ma-ser (maa'zer), a mazer, a kind of bowl.

We also find sa-ver, to save; but the usual spelling is sauver. So also safety is from M. E. sauete (P. Plowman); but the A. F. form is usually sauvetē. In the same way, to chafe is from A. F. se chaufer, to heat oneself; see under Au. See Chafe in the New E. Dict.

(2) If the accented syllable is closed by the letter s, the vowel a remains long, and is developed as (ei); even in some cases where it is followed by another s or a t. And there are a few words in which the vowel remains long in a closed syllable.

Bas, adj., base; cas, M. E. caas, cas, case (circumstance); has-te, s., haste; has-ter, v., to haste; has-tif, adj., hastv; past, L.A. 705, more correctly paste, paste; tast, s. (feel), taste; tas-ter, to taste; wast, s., a waste; was-ter, v., to waste. So also debat, debate; estat, estate, state. Here belongs A. F. darce, a dace, which, after losing its trilled r, has since developed regularly.

- (3) Other examples, in which the vowel becomes (ei) before a nasal, are the following. Cham-bre, chamber; dangier, danger; flam-me, also flam-be, a flame; an-ge-le, an angel; chan-ger, to change; es-tran-ge, strange; es-tran-ger, to estrange; gran-ge, also graun-ge, a grange. The sb. change is spelt chaunge in S.R. 132 (A.D. 1299).
- (4) Ar has become (aer) in some cases, where (ae) represents the sound of ai in hair. Parent, parent; varier, to vary; variance, variance. It becomes (aea) in es-cars, scarce; escarcete, scarcity; declarer, M. E. declaren, to declare.
 - § 55. E (short). Compare the development of A in § 48.
- (1) Its regular development is, that it becomes the modern short open e in net, jet, in E. closed syllables. I shall, however, as in the case of a, consider the combinations el, en, en
 - (2) Short e is sometimes altered to short i.

The following are examples:-

(1) Rebelle, rebel; treble, treble; effect, s., effect; direct, direct; pek, peck; record, récord; rectour, rector; suspecter, to suspect; secund, second; affection; correction; election; fleccher, a fletcher (arrow-maker); creditour, creditor; edefier (to build), to edify: medler, to meddle. Nefu, nephew. Legat, legate; eglenter, M.E. eglentier, whence E. eglantine; negligence, negligence. Alleger, to allege; plegge, a pledge. Esches, chess; eschekker, a chess-board, whence E. chequer. Accepter, to accept; ceptre, a sceptre (with prefixed s, due to Greek); depute, a deputy; excepcion, exception; lepart, a leopard (with inserted o, due to Latin); lepre, a leper; sepulcre, sepulchre (with ch for c). Equite, equity. Abettement, abetment; abbettour, abettor; bretesche (a wooden parapet), a brettis (as in Derbyshire), usually 'brattice'; dette, debt (with ignorant insertion of b, vol. i. § 303, p. 324); discretion, discretion; jeter, to jet; lettre, a letter; metal, metal. Brevetē, brevity; crevace, crevice; evidence, evidence; lever, to levy; severer. to sever. Texture, texture.

(2) In a very few cases, e has been altered to short i. Abregger, to abridge; trepet, in the pl. trepez, H. 1017, M.E. trevet, Bury Wills, ed Tymms, p. 100 (1504), a trivet. In the former case there seems to have been some association with bridge; and, in the latter case, with tripod.

The e seems to have been short in A. F. creche, a crib, manger, M. E. creche, also crache, later cratch (Spenser).

E, in a closed syllable, is rarely lengthened; for examples, see under $long \ \mathbf{E}$ (§ 61).

- § 56. EL. (1) The development of el is almost always regular, remaining as el in E. But in a few cases it is (2) weakened to short i; or (3) is lengthened; see under long E (§ 61).
- (1) Celle, a cell; celer, a cellar; compeller, to compel; deluge; elefant, elephant (with Lat. ph for old f); felon; geluse, geluz, jealous; melodie, melody; prelat, prelate; veluet, velwet, velvet.
- (2) In a few cases it is altered to i; gredil (a cooking utensil), a griddle. In the case of E. pilgrim (A. F. pelerin, pelrin), there may have been an earlier form *pelegrin (cf. Provençal pelegrin), but I have not yet found it; indeed, the form is already pelerin in the Chanson de Roland, 3687. We must therefore suppose that, owing to the frequent pilgrimages to Rome, the word is really Italian; if so, it is the oldest Ital. word in English. The change from n to m was probably due to the word pilgrimage; for I find A. F. pelrimage, C. A. p. 116, l. 55.
- § 57. EM. (r) This commonly remains as em-, except in the prefix em- (see below), and in the word ambush. Of this word the M.E. form was embusche or enbusche, from A.F. embuscher. The change to ambush took place about A.D. 1550, and the reason for the change is not certain;

 $^{^1}$ I think the change was due to the nasal sound of the e ; cf. O. F. reng, E. rank, etc. ; see \S 58.

see the New E. Dictionary. (2) E in em is sometimes altered to short i. Examples are as follows.

- (r) Assembler, to assemble; attempter, to attempt; blemir (inceptive stem blemiss-), to blemish; contempt; emperur, emperor; gemme, gem; membre, member; memorie, memory; remedie, remedy; resembler, to resemble; tempest; temple; temper, to temper; trembler, to tremble.
- (2) But when the prefix em- or en- is followed by p, it often becomes im- (see vol. i. § 377, p. 402). Examples are: empeirer, to impair; enparker, to impark (impound); empescher, to impeach; emperial, imperial; empleder, to implead; emplorer, to implore; enpoverir, empoverir, to impoverish; emprisoner, to imprison.
- § 58. EN. This usually (1) remains as en; but we also find (2) an; and (3) in.
- (r) Benefiz (z = ts), a benefit; beneicon (c = s), benison; frenesi, frenzy; penance; penon, pennon; tenant; tenement; tenur, tenour; tenure; comencer, to commence; defence; defendre, to defend; defendaunt, defendant; contencion, contention; mencion, mention; pencion, pension; amender, to amend; attendre, to attend; descendre, to descend; despendre, to spend (§ 43); vendre, to vend; enemite, enmity; engine, engine; vengance (g = i), vengeaunce, vengeance; venison; penne, a pen; censure; enseigne, ensign; offense, offence; offendre, to offend; sens, sense; tens (time), tense; apprentiz (z=ts, later s), aprentis, apprentice; assent; autentik, M. E. autentik, Tudor E. authentik (by Greek influence), authentic; aventure, M.E. aventure, in Caxton adventure (by Latin influence), adventure; consentir, to consent; entrer, to enter; plente, plenty; senatour, a senator; sentence; tente, a tent; vente, vent (i. e. sale); envie, envy; denzein, M.E. denzein, a denizen (with inserted i; perhaps by influence of citizen).
- (2) In modern F., the difference between en and an has vanished; Mr. Sweet marks the pronunciation of en in dent with the same symbol as the an in manquer; and so does

Littré. Mr. Nicol remarks that the assimilation of nasal e to nasal a did not begin till the middle of the ninth century, and is not yet universal in France, though it became general a century later. In the Song of Roland there are several cases of mixture in the assonances ent and ant.

There are traces of this even in M.E. and in E. A.F. and M.E. bren, refuse, is now bran; just as O.F. bren is now F. bran. So also A.F. estendard, a standard; A.F. renc, rank. Much later examples are pansy, from F. pensée (see Littré); dandelion, from dent de lion; and tamper from F. tempérer.

(3) Owing to the E. tendency to turn en into in (vol. i. § 377, p. 402), we find cases in which this has happened even in words of A. F. origin. A. F. amenuser, M.E. amenusen, appears as amenyshe in the York Wills, and amynysshe in Palsgrave. It is probable that E. minish is rather an aphetic form of aminish than a new formation; though Cotgrave gives menuiser, to minish. Either way, the change is established for this word. A. F. menestral, M.E. menestral, menstral, minstrel; a minstrel. Menever, miniver (with weakening of unaccented e to i). In the same way ink, M.E. enke, presupposes an A. F. *enke, answering to the O. F. enque cited in Littré, s. v. encre. We already find ynk in late A. F., in the Black Book of the Admiralty, i. 404.

Hence also many words, formerly beginning with en-, now begin with in-, a result which was helped by substitution of the Lat. in- for F. en-. A. F. encens is now incense; see more examples below.

(a) I here give a list of words which all begin with enin A. F., and therefore have a good right to the same prefix in modern E. Enamel, enamour, enchain, enchant, encline, enclose, encounter, encumber, encumbrance, endenture, endite, endorse, endow, endure, enfecble, engage, engender, engendrure, engine, engross, enhance, enjoin, enjoy, enlace, enlarge, enmity,

¹ So also arrange is from A. F. arenger; see § 61.

enquire, enrich, enroll, ensample, ensign, ensue, entail, enter, enterprise, entice, enticement, entire, entirety, entitle, entomb, entrails, entreat, entry, envelop, envenom, envious, environ, envy. Yet we find in Shakespeare such forms as incline, indenture, indurance, inquire; and there is often much uncertainty as to the form to be used.

(b) In the following words, the change to in- is well established. Encense, incense; encrees, s., increase; enfant, infaut; enqueste, inquest. In these four words the in- receives the accent. (Cf. A. F. engine, engine, constantly pronounced as (injon), though those who go by spelling reject it). Also: encorre (o = short u), to incur; encrestre (2 p. pl. fut. encrescerez), to increase; endenture, indenture; enditer, to indict sfalse spelling for indite, as the pronunciation (indairt) shows]; enditement, an indictment (ridiculous spelling for inditement); enditour, an indictor (for inditer); enformer, to inform; enfernal; enflamber, to inflame; enformer, to inform; enhabiter, to inhabit; enherite, pp. seised of an inheritance, whence E. inherit; ensenser, to insense (inform); entente, intent; enterrer, to inter; enterlascer, to interlace. We even find cases in which the Lat. negative prefix in- is written en-, as in A. F. enferm, infirm, enfermite, infirmity.

In one case at least, this habit of changing en- into in- has caused obscurity. The A. F. endower, to endow, was seen to be related to the simpler F. douer, and was refashioned in the form endue, or indue; and Shakespeare uses all three forms, endow, endue, and indue, in the same sense; cf. Gen. xxx. 20, where the Vulgate version has 'Dotavit.' But in Luke xxiv. 49 the Vulgate has induamini, showing that the E. endue was confused with the Lat. induere.

- § 59. ER. This is developed in various ways, some of the variations being due to the loss of trill of the r. I shall take the cases first in which the trill is retained.
- (1) The trill is retained when the r (sometimes written double) comes after the accented vowel and before another

- vowel. Examples: beril, a beryl; heron, a heron; merite, merit; peril; verite, verite, verity; verai, very.
- (2) In two cases, err has become (ær); A. F. ferrour, M. E. ferrour, ferrar, ferrer, a farrier. The change of final -ar, -er, to -ier was due to analogy with such words as bow-yer (=bow-ier), law-yer (=lawier), saw-yer, cloth-ier, furr-ier, spurr-ier, hos-ier, etc.; we still find Ferrar, Farrer, Farrar, in use as proper names. So also errant (wandering), arrant; see the Supplement to my Dictionary.
- (3) Owing to qu preceding it, er, later ar, has become (or); A.F. querele, M.E. querele, later quarrel, now pronounced as (kwor'əl).
- (4) The trill is commonly lost when *er* is followed by a consonant or now ends a word. In such a case, the regular development is into the obscure sound (əə), as in *herd*, *bird*, *surd*.

Examples are numerous. It now ends a word in the following: averer, averrer, to aver; deferrir, to defer; enterrer, to inter; errer, to err.

It is followed by a consonant in the following: herbe, herb; amerciement, amercement; mercerie, mercery; merci, mercy; perche, perch (in measurement of length); herce, hearse; rehercer, to rehearse; sercher, to search; guerdon, guerdon; verdur, verdure; heremile, (syncopated to) hermit; nerf, nerve; serf, serf; clergie, clergy; verge, verge; merle, merle (blackbird); afermer, to affirm (with i for e, by Latin influence); enfermile, infirmity (the same); eskermir (inceptive stem eskermiss-), to skirmish (with i for e); hermine, ermine, ermine; sermoun, sermon; terme, term; vermine, vermin; serpent, serpent; adversile, adversity; persone, person; revers, reverse; certein, certain; reverter, to revert; vertu, virtue (with i for e, by Latin influence); servaunt, servant; service, service.

(5) But when the trill is lost, there are also numerous cases in which the sound of *er* is turned into the sound of *ar*

with untrilled r, which is, in fact, nothing else but the long vowel (aa). Thus clerk is now pronounced as (klaak), at any rate in London. An attempt is made to represent this phonetically by changing er into ar in most cases, as when, e.g. we write garner for M. E. gerner.\(^1\) Examples are: herberieur (with i sounded as j), M. E. herbergeour, a harbinger (with insertion of n before the sound of j, and loss of second r; cf. messenger for messager); clerk, a clerk; ferme, a farm; gerlaunde, a garland; gerner, garner; herneis, harness; merveille, marvel; perdriz, perdrice, also partreiz, partridge; peresil (Wright's Vocab. i. 139), M. E. persil, later parsl-y (with added y), parsley; persone, parson (doublet of person, above); serieant, seriant, seriaunt (with i=j), sergeant (saa-jont).

- (6) In cases where er or ere originally ended a word, and in some cases where er is followed by s or by ce (pronounced as se), the vowel is lengthened in modern E.; see under long E, in § 62 (3).
- § 60. ES. The e in the combination es remains short, when s is followed by another letter, as in trespas (trespass), or when the accent has been shifted on to it, as in E. desert from A. F. desert. Otherwise, s does not shorten the vowel in an E. closed accented syllable.

Examples of regular development are:-

- (1) Cases in which es was formerly unaccented: besánt, a besant (in heraldry); desért, desert (a wilderness); presént, M.E. presént, Chaucer, C. T., B. 4171, present, adj.; respit, respite. And in the following words we have the same sound denoted by eas: 2 fesaunt, pheasant (with ph for f); mesure, measure; tresor, M. E. tresor, treasure.
- ¹ We even find ar for er in A. F. Thus parchemin occurs for perchemin; hence E. parchment, with excrescent t.
- ² In speaking of the pronunciation in 1570, Ellis remarks—'Even at a later period ea was often used for (e), the short vowel'; E. E. P. p. 79; and again, at p. 80, he explains Salesbury's pronunciation of treasure as being (trez'yyr) in 1547.

(2) Cases in which s is followed by another consonant: rescous, s., M. E. rescous, (now) rescue (final s lost by confusion with the verb); descant (a mode of song), descant, s.; lescoun, lescon, M. E. lessoun, lesson; trespas, s., a trespass; vespre, vesper; fes (better spelt fesse, see Godefroy, s. v. faisse), fess (in heraldry); assessour, assessor; confesser, to confess; destresce, s., distress; excesse, excess; message, message; messe (dish of meat), S. R. 279, a mess; presse, s., a press (throng); redresser, to redress; vessel, vessel; depression, depression; oppression, oppression; refreschir, to refresh; session, session; arest, s., arrest; chestaine, M.E. chestaine, chestein, chesten, whence chesten-nut, now syncopated to chestnut, chesnut; destine, destiny; geste, a jest; molester, to molest; question, question; requeste, s., request; revestre, to revest; lester, tester (of a bed); vester, to vest; vesz, L.C. 125, M. E. veche, vetch.

The e is also short in mesuage, M. E. mesuage, messuage; but it was probably at first long, as it is related to A. F. mees, a house, messuage (Britton, ii. 251).

- (3) Es is altered to is in the prefixes des-, mes-(probably by association with the Lat. prefix dis- and the E. prefix mis-); and sometimes in other words. Descord, s., discord; destaunce, distance (and also in cases where des- is unaccented); meschief, mischief; mescreant, adj., miscreant (and in cases where mes- is unaccented). Compare: lesarde, M. E. lesarde, lizard. For cases in which the e in es is now long, see under long E, in § 61 (b).
- § 61. E (long). Modern E. long e (ii). Compare the development of long a, in § 54.

In Tudor English, a distinction was made between the close and open e, which were represented, respectively, by ee and ea; but both are now sounded alike. The former is also written with a single e, as in cedar. A. F. $(as)s\bar{e}ger$ is now (be)-siege, with ie = (ii). A. F. regne (ren ye), with y as y in yea) is now reign. These developments are exhibited

below, (a) at the end of an open syllable; and (b) in a closed syllable.

- (a) In open syllables. I first give the cases in which the Tudor spelling keeps e or ee; and I include the cases in which the A. F. has ee. It is, perhaps, necessary to repeat here that, in the combination es, the s sometimes merely marks the vowel-length and was silent.
- (1) Decre, decree; degree, degree, degree; see, se, see (of a bishop). A-gre-a-ble, agreeable; de-i-te, deity. Fe-ble, feeble; gle-be, glebe. Se-crei, s., M.E. secree (obsolete), replaced by the later F. form secret, sécret; pre-cept, precept. Ca-the-dra-le, fem. adj., cathedral; ce-dre, a cedar; cre-dence, cre-dence; pro-ce-der, to proceed. Le-gend-e, legend; le-gi-oun, legion; re-gi-oun, region. Fe-me-le, fem. adj., M. E. femele, also female (Seven Sages, ed. Weber, 3722), fémale (with a for e, by association with male, which is etymologically unconnected). Blas-fe-mer, M. E. blasfemen, to blaspheme (with ph for f).

In the same way we may account for the development of A. F. $me-\ddot{e}n$, mean, i. e. intermediate, as in en le meen temps, in the meantime, B. i. 351; A. F. $ve-\ddot{e}l$, later $v\bar{e}l$, veal. So also de-an, later forms $de-\ddot{e}n$, $d\bar{e}n$, a dean; see **Ea** in § 81.

- (2) In some words ie is now used for ee, with the same sound of (ii), without any very clear reason. Hence the following also belong here. A-che-ver, M. E. acheven, to achieve; a-che-ve-ment, achievement; che-ve-taigne, che-ve-tain, M. E. chevetein, chieftain. So also A. F. chef, M. E. chef, chief; but in this case we also find chief both in A. F. and M. E., and the sound intended was probably a very short i followed by an accented e (e), which was soon smoothed into simple (ee). Schwan notes (§ 280) that (in a similar way and independently) chie became che, in continental French, at the end of the thirteenth century; cf. mod. F. chef.
- (3) Again, we find that mod. E. (ii) is also denoted by the Tudor spelling ea, which signified that (ee) had an open

sound (vol. 1. § 301, p. 322). The M. E. symbol for both the close and open e was the same, though the sound was not the same, and it often happens that a word's earlier history reveals a difference of origin. This has been already noted with regard to words of A. S. origin, but it is sometimes true also of words of A. F. origin. Thus E. proceed is from M. E. proceden, with long close (e), from A. F. proceder, Lat. procedere; but E. plead is from M. E. pleaden, with long open (e), from A. F. pleader, earlier spellings pleider, plaider, a verb due to the sb. plait, a plea, Lat. placitum. In the former case, the original vowel was Lat. \bar{e} ; in the latter case, it was a diphthong, Lat. a+i. The spelling with ea, or with ee, cannot always be relied upon as a sure guide, but is worth observing. The following may be noted; but the lists given under Ai, Ea, Ee, Ei, should be compared.

Bre-che, breach; em-pes-cher, em-pe-cher, to impeach; pre-cher, to preach.¹ Em-ple-der, implead; which compare with ple-der (older forms pleider, plaider), to plead; be-del, a beadle, (also) bedéll.² Egle, eagle; e-gre (also aegre), eager; me-gre, meagre. Con-ce-ler, to conceal; re-ve-ler, to reveal. Bre-me, a bream. A-pe-ser, to appease; re-soun (earlier reisoun, raisoun), reason; se-soun (earlier seisoun, saisun), seasoun; tre-soun (earlier treisoun, traisoun), treason. Fe-tur-e, feature; tre-ter (earlier traiter), to treat; tre-tiz, trai-tie, a treaty.

See also under En in § 62 (2).

Note.—The old A. F. *leon* (whence M. E. *leoun*), a lion, was replaced by F. *lion*, which accounts for the mod. E. form.

(b) In closed syllables. The E. e is long in a closed syllable, only in some cases where the A. F. e is followed by s, or even by st; and in a few other cases.

Cesser, to cease; deces, decease; descres (former s at first sounded, afterwards silent), décrease (cf. decrere, v., to

¹ Also prescher, but the s is silent and inorganic, and merely denotes vowel-length; just as empescher = empecher (E. impeach).

² The form bedell answers better to A. F. bedelle, L. A. 182.

decréase); gresse, grece, grease; encrees, s., sncrease (cf. encrestre, v., to incréase); les, lees, a lease; so also: eese (older spellings eise, aise), ease; pes, pees (older spellings * peis, pais, V.), peace. In the word demesne, demesne, the s merely marks vowel-length, and still does so in mod. E. To these we may add: beste, beast; feste, feast; words in which the e was originally short.

- § 62. (1). El. Apel, appel, an appeal; vel (= veël), veal (lit. a calf). As in § 61 (2), the E. sound is sometimes written ie. We find that the M.E. ceelen, to line the inside of a room, produced a sb. ceeling or seeling, also spelt cieling, and again varied to ceiling. This I take to be the explanation of E. ceiling, the inner covering of the roof of a room. The M.E. ceelen was formed from A.F. ceel, used to mean 'a tester of a bed,' R. W. 51 (A.D. 1361); from A.F. cēl, for ciel, heaven. The A.F. spelling cel is not uncommon; see the Vie de St. Auban; and cf. Song of Roland. The use of the word may have been influenced by Lat. caelare, to adorn. See Ceil in the New E. Dict.
- (2) **En.** When \bar{e} precedes n, the mod. E. keeps nearly the old vowel sound in some cases, instead of changing it to (ii). Arener (also aresner, with es > ee, other spellings areiner, arainer), to arraign '; refrener, to refrain; sustenir, to sustain. Very similar are the following: regne, M. E. regne, reign (with silent g, though it was once sounded before the loss of final e:gn representing the same sound as in Ital. regno, though n was probably often used in place of it). Be it observed that the accented e in regne was originally short. Here belongs also resne (with s as s, which afterwards became silent), a rein for a horse's bridle.
- (3) **Er.** When an A. F. word ends in *-er* or *-ere* (= *-er-e*), the modern sound of the *e* is (ii), written either as *ee*, *ea*, or *ie*; and this takes place even when the A. F. *e* was originally *short*. As **ee**: *chere*, cheer; *per*, a peer. As

¹ The g in the mod. E. form is a late and useless insertion.

ea: arere, arrear; cler, clear; rere-garde, rear-guard, of which another form was rere-warde, with the same sense, still kept as rereward in our Bibles, Num. x. 25; Jos. vi. 9; 1 Sam. xxix. 2; Isa, lii. 12; lviii. 8, and presenting a stumblingblock to the unwary reader. I have heard it read as rereward in the two latter passages, where the sense of 'second reward,' if understood as 'full reward,' is not altogether inappropriate. Cf. the old word rere-supper, from A. F. reresuper, W. W. 5785. As ie (when s or ce follows): fers, adj., fierce; percer, to pierce; terce, tierce (the canonical hour so called). In these words the inserted i perhaps arose as a short parasitic sound immediately following the f, p, or t. Lastly, I have to mention A. F. and M. E. frere, which should have become freer, but has actually been developed into friar, just as A. S. brér, M. E. brere, is now briar, and M. E. quer, quere, is now quire, though spelt choir.

(4) E before single f, k, or t (in some cases). Bef, beef; here the A. F. form was originally boef, also written beof, and the diphthong was reduced to ee or \bar{e} . Fet, M. E. feet, feit, a feat; here the A. F. fet was used in the sense of 'deed,' i. e. a legal document, and it comes from older spellings feit, fait. Our escheat is from A. F. eschete, earlier eschaete; the verb was escheter, eschaeter, whence eschetur, an escheater or escheator. Hence, by aphaeresis, cheat, s., cheat, v., and cheater.

In a few words the *e* seems to have been originally short, and to have been lengthened; as in *bref*, M. E. *bref*, brief (with *ie* for *ee*); *bek*, beak; *net* (whence fem. *nette*, V.), neat. The *gh* in E. *freight* is improper, and due to association with *fraught*, a related word of Scand. origin. *Freight* should be *freit*, variant of *fret*; in the Black Book of the Admiralty, vol. i. pp. 92, 112, we find the sb. *fret*, *frette*, and the verb *freter*, *fretter*. It is hardly an A. F. word, being adopted, rather, from the French of the Continent.

See also under the diphthongs ai, ei, ae, ea, ie.

§ 63. I, Y. The short i is an extremely stable sound in

English. There was probably the same slight difference between the A. F. and the M. E. sound of the vowel as there still is between the *i* as heard twice in the F. fini and the E. *i* in fin. The M.E. sound was substituted for the A. F. sound, and that was all. The exceptions are few and slight, and are noted at the end of this section. Even in the combination ir the same sound remains if the r be trilled (as in spirit), but if the trill be lost the obscure sound results, as in virgin. We should therefore keep the untrilled ir separate: but all the other cases can be considered together. The accented *i* is short in E. closed syllables, but long (i. e. diphthongal) in open ones.

We may also consider the mod. E. short y, as in *syllable*, *myrrh*, at the same time. The sound is the same, and the symbol is usually modern, replacing the M. E. i.

Ribald, ribald; tribut, tribute. Vicaire, vicar; victor, victor. Adicion, addition; affliction; condicioun, condition. Enricher, to enrich; richesce, richésse, M. E. richés-se, riches. Considerer¹, to consider; idiot, idiot. Griffon, griffin (with o weakened to i). Dignete, dignity; ignoraunce, ignorance; figure, M.E. figure, figure; vigur, vigour. Pigoun (with g=j), pigeon; vigile, vigil. Bille, bill (as in parliament); billette, billet; diligence, diligence; piller, pillar; pillori, pillory, pillory; sillable, also sillabe, M.E. sillable, syllable; villein, vilein, villain. Chimenee (a fire-place), syncopated to chimney; image, image; limite, limit; simple, adj., simple. Affinite, affinity; continuer, to continue; iniurie (=injurie), injury; instance, instance; ministre, minister; oppinion, opinion, opinion; prince, prince; vineter, curiously altered to M. E. vintener, now syncopated to vintner. Escripture, scripture; ypocrite, hypocrite (with h supplied, owing to knowledge of Greek). Miracle, miracle; mireur, mirreur, M. E. mirour, mirror. Issue, issue; prison, prison; visage, visage; visiter, to visit;

 1 The i in this word was originally long; it was shortened before the dr in M. E. consideren.

viser, visor (mask). Ysope, hyssop. Commission, commission; omissioun, omission; avisioun, M. E. avisioun, a vision (now obsolete); divisioun, division. Agistement, M. E. a-gis-te-ment, agistment; Cristien, Christian (with h added, owing to knowledge of Greek); resister, to resist. Acquiter, to acquit; citein (O. F. citeain), S. R. 34 (A. D. 1275), later citeseyn, S. R. 381 (1363, with inserted unexplained s), a citizen; litere, a litter; pite, pitee, pity; quit, quite, adj. (free), quit; quitance, quittance; vitaille, M. E. vitaille, now absurdly spelt 'victual' instead of 'vittle' (see vol. i. § 303, p. 325). Chivalrie, chivalry; deliverer, to deliver; rivere, river; wyvre, wiver, M. E. wivre, wiver, a wivern (in heraldry, with added n, as in bittern, vol. i. § 347, p. 372).

Exceptions. A. F. tricherie, M.E. tricherie (Ancren Riwle), also spelt trecherie (P. Plowman), treachery, furnishes an apparent exception; but is easily explained. Trecherie is really the older form, as appears from the etymology; see my Dictionary. Cimitere, M. E. cimitere (obsolete), replaced by cemetery in the sixteenth century; there is here no real change, the A. F. form being lost, and then replaced by one much nearer, in appearance, to the Greek.

- Ir, Yr (untrilled). When ir (or yr) is untrilled, we obtain a sound (əə) which is the long vowel corresponding to the obscure vowel in 'about' (əbau't). Cf. E. bird, turn. Examples in words of A. F. origin are rare. I can instance virgine, a virgin (vəə'jin); and mirre, M. E. mirre, myrrh (məə'), respelt according to the Latin method of spelling Greek words.
- § 64. I, Y, as long vowels. The development of long i (or y) is also very regular. The old (ii) sound was changed, first to (ei) 2 , and later to (ai), which is its present sound. It occurs in open syllables, or before s, rarely in closed

 $^{^{1}}$ In these words the i was originally long; it was shortened before vr in M. E. $delivren,\ wivre.$

² Viz. in the sixteenth century; Ellis, E. E. P. p. 111.

syllables; see the treatment of ir and is, as discussed below. It is not affected by a following l, m, or n; I therefore treat $\bar{\imath}l$, $\bar{\imath}m$, $\bar{\imath}n$, along with the rest. Exceptions are few. It is particularly common before other vowels, from which it is kept separate; thus the A.F. combination ie or $ye=\bar{\imath}+e$, where the e is usually reduced to the obscure vowel (\flat), owing to its unaccented position.

- (1) In open syllables. Cri, a cry; cf. des-cri-, base of des-cri-re, to des-cry. Af-fi-aun-ce, affiance; a-li-aun-ce, alliance; di-a-log-e (with g hard), dialogue; di-a-pre-(in the pp. diapreez, diapered, R. W. 73), diaper; gy-aunt 1, L. 190, giant; vi-and-e, viand. Bi-ble, bible; li-bel, libel. Li-cens-e, license. Al-li-e, an ally; cli-ent, client; de-ni-er, to deny; di-et-e, diet (food); es-pi-er, to espy; es-qui-er, M. E. squi-er, squire; pi-e, pie (magpie); pli-er, to ply; qui-et-e, adj., quiet. Es-trif, strife. Ti-gre, tiger. Com-pi-ler, to compile; gui-le, guile; si-len-ce, silence. Cri-me, crime; pri-me, prime. Decli-ne, decline (in the phrase en decline, to its decline, to ruin, P. S. 242); en-cli-ner, to encline, incline; es-chi-ne, chine (with aphaeresis of es-): es-pi-ne, spine (a thorn: with aphesis of e); li-ne, a line; mi-nour, a miner. Cri-our, a crier; di-o-cis-e, M. E. diocise, diocese (with e for i, due to revival of Greek); fy-ol-e, M.E. viole, a vial (with a for o, due to revival of Greek, whence also the queer spelling phial); pri-or, prior; ri-ot-e, riot; vi-o-len-ce, violence. Cy-pres-ce, cypress; dis-ci-ple, disciple (already in use before the Conquest, in the A. S. form discipul); pi-pe, a pipe (of wine). En-di-ter, to endite (compose verse, etc.); mi-tre, mitre; re-ci-ter, to recite; ti-tle, title. Ar-ri-ver, to arrive; es-tri-ver, L. R. 76, to strive; i-voi-re, ivory; re-vi-vre, to revive.
- (2) **Is, Ys**. When a syllable is closed in English with s, or c sounded as s, the A.F. i, which was in fact free, was developed into E. (ai) as usual. Before l, m, and n, the

¹ Also geaunt, whence M. E. geaunt, which is a commoner form. Yet we find giaunt in Wyclif, 2 Kings xxi. 16 (later version).

A. F. s (z) soon became silent; also in the compound word visconte; see below.

As-si-se, assize; a-vis, advice; de-gi-ser, M. E. degisen (both with hard g), with (doubtless) an older form des-gi-ser (see Godefroy), to disguise; des-pi-ser¹, L. R. 294, to despise; de-vi-ser, to devise; de-vi-se, device; gui-se, guise; pris, price; pri-se, prize; rys, L. A. 224, rice (but this was probably imported from France in the fourteenth century). So also vi-ce, vice.

The s is silent in: dis-ner, to dine; is-le, isle (where the s is uselessly retained). Also in vis-cont-e (a sheriff), S. R. 28, also spelt vi-cont-e, Y. a. 7, whence E. vis-count (where the s is uselessly retained, as in isle).

- (3) The A. F. i also becomes (ai) in a few final syllables, the closing consonants being gn (=ny), n, t. As-sign-er, to assign; be-nign-e, benign; re-sign-er, to resign; sign-e, sign; vign-e, vine. Fin, a fine (payment). De-lit, delight (with gh inserted by confusion with light); cf. de-li-ter, v., to delight; des-pit, despite, usually shortened to 'spite'; sit, syt-e, site (situation). Similarly, the A. F. ob-li-ger (with short i, as in A. F. obligacioun) became M. E. o-bli-gen (with long i), and is now oblige (oblaij). We find it as (oblij) in Pope, Prol. to Satires, 208, but this was due to the influence of continental French. The word is a true A. F. word, as shown by the pronunciation of ge as j, and by its early use.
- (4) Ir. The r is very seldom trilled; in fact, only when it comes between two vowels, as in ti-rant, tyrant (now spelt with y, by Greek influence). Some trill it in en-vi-ron-er, to environ; but others substitute the obscure vowel, and say (envairəən). Usually, ire is pronounced as (aia). At-tir-er, to attire; de-sir, desire; ir-e, ire; sir-e, sire.
- (5) There seem to be just a few cases in which the old sound (ii) of the A.F. i has been preserved. Li-ge,

¹ A new formation. The true verb is despire, E. C. 3385; pr. pl. despis-ent, L. 104; pres. pt. despis-ant, S. R. 162.

adj., liege (liij); li-ge-an-ce, M. E. ligeaunce, Chaucer, C. T. Group B. 895, to which a- was afterwards prefixed (apparently by confusion with the now obsolete alegeance, an alleging, allegation, which may also have affected the vowel-sound), giving E. allegiance. We also find A. F. chemise, but the sound which we give to the ch in E. chemise shows that the word was lost, and has been re-borrowed from French in recent times.

(6) Lastly, there are at least two examples in which the A. F. i (ii) has been shortened by its occurrence in an E. closed syllable. A. F. hisdous became hīdous by loss of s, which became silent; and hence M. E. hīdous (?), later hĭd-ous, now 'hideous'; like E. piteous for M. E. pitous. A. F. fig-e (with hard g) has given E. 'fig'. why not distribute them.

§ 65. O (short). The combinations on (in some cases), also or, os, require separate treatment. Setting these aside, it is remarkable that the A. F. short o has two distinct developments in E., viz. as E. short o in rob, and as E. short unrounded u in govern. The fact is that the M. E. symbol o was of uncertain interpretation, and was used to represent both short o (o) and short u (u); see Sweet, Hist. E. Sounds, § 595. The French scribes were partial to the use of the symbol o^1 , and, in particular, often used it for the sake of graphic clearness, in preference to u, in proximity to the symbols m, n, and u (v). The MS. symbols for n and u were indistinguishable, both consisting of two upright down-strokes indistinctly joined, whilst m consisted of three down-strokes, also vaguely joined; hence um could be read as mu, or as mn, and nn could be read as nu or un or uu. By the use of o for u such ambiguity was Hence the A.S. sunu, M.E. sune, was frequently written sone, and that is why we write son still, though the o is really the unrounded u. In the same way the A. S. sunne, M. E. sunne, was frequently written sonne, so that, even in the

The late Lat. short u was pronounced as close o. Hence we find Span. sobre, from Lat. super; cf. Ital. sopra, for Lat. supra.

first folio of Shakespeare, we find the play of Rich. III beginning with:—

Now is the Winter of our Discontent, Made Glorious Summer by this Son of York.

It is now, however, the custom to spell this word, phonetically, as sun. Perhaps the most striking examples are those in which o occurs before v, as in love, dove, govern. This was due to the use of u for v. The M. E. spellings were at first lune, dune, from the A. S. lufu, dufa i, but when the word governen was introduced with the A. F. sound of ou as uv, these words became love, dove, and appear in this form in the first folio of Shakespeare (see vol. i. p. 1, l. 8). Hence the present spellings love, dove, govern are accounted for. The development of as E. unrounded u should be compared with the development of A. F. u into the same sound. We pronounce the on in money precisely like the un in uncle (A. F. uncle).

§ 66. The modern E. has the short open sound of o in the following words (excluding the combinations or, os, and several of the examples of o before n). Obit, obit; obsequies, obsequies; obstacle, obstacle; robber, to rob. Cocodrille, M. E. cocodrille, now 'crocodile' (owing to the revival of Greek); doctrine, doctrine; occident, occident (an old term for the west, but obsolescent); boce, a boss, swelling (of which botch is a variant); hoche-pot, B. i. 305, M. E. hoche-pot, a hotchpodge. Comoditē (profit), commodity. Coffin, coffin; cofre, coffer; office, office; profit, profit; profre, s., a proffer; loger, to lodge. Mokerie, mockery. Coler, collar; college, college; columpne, column; dolour, dolour; folie, folly; iolyf, ioly (with i as j), jolly; iolietē (with i as j), jollity; olive, olive; polir (inceptive stem poliss-), to polish; solaz, solace; solempne (with ex-

¹ It is remarkable that no example of A. S. dissa has yet been sound. Somner gives duua, an equivalent form, without a reference. The A.S. f, when between two vowels, was sounded as v. But dissa occurs in Icelandic. The common A.S. word for 'dove' is culfre, E. culver.

crescent p, now dropped), solemn; solitarie, solitary; volum. volume. Acomplir (inceptive stem acompliss-), to accomplish: comete, comet; comun, adj., common; homage, homage; promesse, promise. Amonester, M. E. amonesten, later amonessen, to admonish (with inserted d, and sh for ss); concord, concord: conquere, to conquer (with qu now usually pronounced as k); conqueste, conquest; conscience, conscience; contract, s., a contract; contrárie, M. E. contrárie, contráry (Shak.), cóntrary; converse, s., converse; cronicle, chronicle (with h inserted owing to revival of Greek); honour, honour; monster; nonage, nonage (not to be pronounced with the o as long); respondre, to respond. Copie 1, copy; prophete, prophet; propre, proper; proprete, property. Cotun, cotton; floteson, B. B. i. 82, flotsam; pot, pot; potage, pottage; potel, pottle. Novel, adj., novel; poverte, poverty; empoverir, enpoverir (inceptive stem *empoveriss*-), to empoverish; *province*, province; provost, provost (for which we also find A. S. práfost, vol. i. § 400, p. 438).

§ 67. It is very seldom that the A. F. o, denoting short u (u), has accurately preserved its sound. (Almost the sole example is seen in A. F. and M. E. bocher, a butcher. In almost all other instances, the u has been 'unrounded,' and is sounded nearly as the obscure vowel (a) in America (amerika). Conduit, a conduit (kan dit); confort, M.E. confort comfort (with m for n, before f); conforter, also cumforter, M. E. conforten, to comfort; dongoun (with g as g), dungeon; estoner, to stun; moneye, money. Front, front. Sopere, supper. Botiller, butler; botellerie, M. E. botelery, buttery; cotillere, cutler; moton, motoun, mutton; reboter, to rebut; sotillee, subtlety (with inserted pedantic g). Coverer, to cover; covert, covert; estover, g, stover (sustenance); governer, to govern; plover, plover; recoverer, to recover. Dozeine, dozen.

[.] The o was originally long, but was shortened because the stress fell on i; hence the O. F. spelling coppie (Littré).

- § 68. In some cases, the sound of o has become long u (uu), probably because the sound occurred at the end of an open syllable or a syllable but slightly closed. Cf. the M. E. \bar{o} , as in $c\bar{o}l$, which has likewise become \bar{u} , as in (kuul) in modern English.
- (1) In a syllable treated as open. A-ho-ge, also O. F. ahuge, M. E. hu-ge, huge. Bo-te, boot (for the foot). Mover, to move; re-mo-ver, re-moe-ver, to remove; pro-ver, to prove; re-pro-ver, to reprove. The word po-ver, also po-vre, became M. E. povre, pover, out of which the v was curiously lost, whence E. poor, which may be considered as a contracted form of poover.
- with the liquid l, had its vowel lengthened, and is now fool.
- § 69. On. Some cases of regular development have been given above. It has been shown (vol. i. § 380, p. 404) that the A.S. pund (with short u) was lengthened to $p\bar{u}nd$ (with long u) in course of time, by the influence of the nd, and is now pound (paund), with a diphthongal sound. A similar effect seems to have been produced in the case of A.F. so that monter became M.E. monten, mounten (muu ntən), and is now mount (maunt). I give some more examples. Conseil, cunseil, counsel; conseil, council; conseiller, to counsel; cunseiler, conseiller, a counsellor; counte, a count (earl); contē, countē, county; cuntesse, contesse, countess; contrepleder, to counterplead; monter, munter, to mount; soner, suner, to sound. In many cases we find the spelling un for on, showing that o had the sound of u; hence the above examples belong, more strictly, to the set which illustrate the development of un. See therefore under un (§ 77). In one case, that of A.F. corone, the second o was long. This word became M.E. corone, crone, crune; the

 $^{^{1}}$ The v is also lost before r in kerchief, curfew, for cover-chief, cover-few.

form with \bar{u} prevailed, whence E. *crown*, by regular development. See under long $\bar{\mathbf{U}}$, in § 77.

- § 70. Or. If the combination or is followed by a vowel, the o keeps its sound. There are, however, two cases, as distinguished in § 65: i.e. it can have the sound of o in rob, or of o in govern. Examples are rare.
- (1) Corall, coral; coruner, coroner, coroner; forage, forage; foreste, forest; oreison, orison (prayer).
- (2) Coraunt, current, as in the phrase 'the current price'; morine, murine, M.E. moreine, murrain.
- (3) But when or is followed by a consonant, the trill of the r is lost; and here also there are two cases, as in the words force (faos) and attorney (ataani). We must consider these separately. And first, words containing or=(ao). Divorce, divorce; force, force; sorcerie, sorcery; sorceresse, sorceress; sorcier, sorcerer (formed by adding -er to sorcer, a later form of A.F. sorcier); porcioun, portion. accord, s.; acordaunt, accordant; corde, cord; ordinance, ordinance; ordinarie, ordinary; ordure, ordure; ordre, order. Forfeit, forfeit. Forger, to forge. Pork, pork. Forme, form: torment, torment. Cornere, corner. Porpeis, porpoise (a later form, with F. oi for A. F. ei); scorpiun, scorpion. Cors, corse; morsel, morsel. Desport, sport (by aphaeresis); fort, fort; fortelesse, fortalice; mortier, morter, mortar (of wax, etc. for a light); porte, port (gate, door); portal, portal; portour, porter; resortir, to resort.

In some instances, our is written for or, as in enfourmer, to inform; but this is rare. Regular. O. Tr. & (red 2).

(4) With the sound of ($\ni\ni$). Forbir (inceptive stem forbiss-), to furbish. Ajorner, to adjourn (with inserted d); attornee, attorney; fornir (inceptive stem forniss-), to furnish; iorneie (with i=j), journey. Besides these, there are a few words in which a following vowel has been suppressed: as norice, M. E. norice, nurse; nuriture, noriture, nurture. Compare A. F. forester, whence M. E. forester, forster, foster.

- § 71. Os. In the combination os, the o is usually long. The regular sound of short o occurs in pentecost, but here the syllable -cost has only the secondary accent. When the primary accent falls on such a syllable, it is usually drawled out into the sound of (aost). We have an example in A. F. acoster, to accost (akaost). On the other hand, we find ostruce, R. W. 67 (A.D. 1376), an ostrich, where o, being 'enclosed,' i.e. followed by str. is short.
- § 72. O (long). The common E. long o has now the close sound, and is impure; as generally pronounced, it has an aftersound of (u), and is best expressed by the symbol (ou); see vol. i. § 310, p. 337. It occurs at the end of an open syllable, before s or st, and in a few closed syllables. In some cases moreover, the A. F. o was originally short, as in soldeier, a soldier.
- (1) In open syllables: no-ble, noble; ro-be, robe. A-bro-cour, M. E. brocour (by aphesis), broker; clo-ke, cloak. Devo-ci-oun, devotion. O-dur, odour. Mo-ment, moment. Do-nour, donor; thro-ne, usually tro-ne, M.E. trone, now throne (owing to revival of Greek). Co-te, coat; mo-te (an eminence), a moat (by transference of sense from 'eminence' to the ditch surrounding it); no-ta-ri-e, notary; no-te, note; no-tic-e, notice.²
- (2) Before s or st: clos, close (secret); groser, grocer; deposer, to depose; entreposer, to interpose; reposer, to repose. Coste, coast; ost, host (army); post-ern-e, postern; rost, rost-e, roast. But it is short in ostel, hostel, owing to the stress; so also some say (post-pen).
- (3) In a syllable now closed by ch or l. A-brocher, M. E. abrochen, to broach (by aphesis of a); a-prochier, a-procher, to approach; re-procher, to reproach; broche, a brooch. Estole, a stole; rolle (later spelling roule), roll; enroller (later enrouler), to enroll; sol-dei-er, soldier.

¹ This word occurs in A. S., in the A. S. version of the Gospels.

² The spelling soot (an idiot), B. i. 243, shows that the o in sot was sometimes long.

- § 73. Or. When o precedes r, and the r is followed by a vowel, the r is trilled, and the o becomes mod. E. (ao). Examples are rare. Glorie, glory; estorie, story. So also orient, orient; in which the o was originally short. Also enplorer, to implore (with im for em, for en); estorer, to store; restorer, to restore; but in these cases the trill of the final r is lost, and ore has become (aoo).
- § 74. U (short). The combination ur requires special treatment, and is considered separately. The sounds denoted by short o and u were so much alike that we find frequent confusion between them. Thus the A. F. prefix com- or conis frequently written cum- or cun-, especially in early texts; see \S 65. Again, the A. F. symbol u was used to represent two different sounds, viz. the short (u), as in E. bull, and the short (y), as the G. \ddot{u} in schützen (see §§ 35, 36). It is not easy to distinguish between these sounds; but it may suffice to say here that Italian is, in some degree, a guide. Thus E. suffer answers to Ital. soffrire, F. souffrir, A. F. sufrir (V.), where the A. F. u had the sound of (u); whilst E. just, adj., answers to Ital. giusto, F. juste, A. F. iuste, where the A. F. u had the sound of (y). In M.E., the sound of (y) was gradually rejected, and is now disused in the standard speech. Cf. Sweet, Hist. E. Sounds, §§ 595, 596. I shall here give the examples according to the more usual orthography, without attempting to distinguish between the sounds of the A.F. u.
- (1) It is very seldom that the A. F. *u* is represented by (u) in E. The following are a few examples, in which the old sound is preserved before a liquid or s. A. F. bulle, a papal bull; pullet, a pullet; pulpit, pulpit; tumbe, a tomb; busselle, bushel.
- (2) Usually, the u is unrounded, and sounded like the u in but (bət); this sound I here denote by (ə). In most cases, the u is followed by two consonants, or occurs in a closed syllable; and there is no distinction in such words between the u which was originally (u) and that which was originally

- (y). See Behrens, Beiträge, etc. p. 123. Subjet, s., subject; substance, substance; suburbe, suburb. Bucle, bocle, buckle; succour, succour; destruccioun, destruction; duchē, duchy; huche, a hutch. Buffe, a buffet (lit. buff, with -et added as a diminutive suffix); estuf, stuff. Aiugger (with i as i), to adjudge; iuge (with i as j), judge; iugement, judgment; iugleur, iugelur, iogelur, juggler. Adulterie, adultery; annuller, to annul; hulke, a hulk; nul, null; vultur, vulture. Assumption; autumnal, autumnal; encumbrer, encombrer, to encumber; humle, umble, humble (with excrescent b; cf. umblement, humbly); numbre, noumbre, s., number; numbrer, noumbrer, to number; summe, sum; tumberel, tumbrel. Iuncture (i=i), juncture; trunc, trunk; truncun (c as s), truncheon (with ch, sounded as sh, for s after n); uncle, uncle; habundance, abundance (mute h lost); plunger, to plunge. Corruptiun, corruption. Discusser, to discuss; usser, ussher, usher; acustumer, to accustom; custume, coustume, custom; fustain, fustiane, fustian; iustice, justice; iuste (V.), just. Buter, to but; butun, botun, button; escuchon, scutcheon; glutun, glutton; glutunie, glotonie, gluttony; guttere, gotere, M. E. gotere, a gutter; sutil, sotil, subtle (with b pedantically inserted). Luxurie, luxury.
- (3) In some cases we find the spelling ou for u, the mod. E. sound being the same. This spelling indicates a tendency to lengthen (u) into (uu), or the A.F. u may have been long; but this tendency was afterwards checked. Examples are:—trubler, trobler, troublir, M.E. troblen, troublen, to trouble; duble, doble, double, double, in which the A.F. u was free. Also cuntree, country; iuste, iouste, a joust (tournament). In cuple, couple, a couple, the A.F. free u was certainly long; so also in cusin, cosin, cousin, cousin, the vowel was long (before ns) in Lat. consobrinum. See also under Ur and U (long).
 - (4) An exceptional word is A. F. cust, coust, cost; but 'Words also spelt with o had the A. F. u sounded as (u), not as (y).

we find the O.F. coste, which gives us cost (kaost) regularly; for the sound of o cf. accost; see § 71. Again, the A.F. parfurnir, parfournir, was corrupted to later A.F. performir, performer, by confusion with A.F. former, to form; hence E. perform.

- § 75. Ur. (1) If ur (with short u) occurs before a vowel, the r is trilled, and the sound of u is the same as above, viz. (2). But examples are very rare. I may instance curage, corage, M. E. corage, later courage (kuraaje), still spelt the same, but pronounced (kerij). The change from (u) to (2) is due to the shifting of the accent from a to ou.
- (2) Most commonly the r is followed by a consonant; when the trill of the r is lost, and ur is pronounced (99), precisely as in the case of er above; see § 59 (4).

Desturber, to disturb; turbut, turbot. Purchas, purchase. Murdre, murder. Burgeys, M. E. burgeis, burgess (with ess for eis, by want of stress upon it); purger, to purge; estourgeon, sturgeon, sturgeon; surgion, surgeon. Burnir (inceptive stem burniss-), to burnish; returner, to return; turner, to turn; turn, torn, s., a turn. Purport, purport; purpre, purple (with l for r). Apurtenance, appurtenance, (also) purtenance; curtine, M. E. curtine, cortine, curtain (curtin would be better); hurter (to dash), M.E. hurten, to hurt; nurture, nurture. Very rarely, we find our for ur, but without any variation in the pronunciation; as in escurge, M.E. scurge, scorge, a scourge; curtesie, cortesie, courtesy (so spelt because allied to court). We also find ur changed to our before s and t, with a change of pronunciation. Examples are: -curs, cours, a course; recurs, recours, s., recourse; curt, court; pronounced (kaos, rekoa's, kao't) or (kao'əs, rikao es, kao et). So also courser, courser (horse); curteour. courtier.

§ 76. U (long). The A.F. u, when long, had two different pronunciations, viz. (1) as long u (uu); and (2) as long \ddot{u} (yy), as pronounced in G. grün. They are well

distinguished by difference of development. The former, whilst preserving its sound, came to be denoted by the late A.F. symbol ou (pronounced as ou in soup, or as F. ou). The latter was confused with the sound denoted by ew (eeu. eew) in the M. E. trewe, newe, hewe, words of A. S. origin; so that, in the time of Chaucer, there was little difference between the M.E. ew and the u in M.E. vertu. Sweet's Second Eng. Primer, p. 3, where he gives the pronunciations of newe and vertu as (neeue) and (verteeu) respectively. Just as newe has become E. new (niuu), so the -tue in vir-tue has become (-tiu). In other words, the A.F. (yy) has disappeared, having given way to the sound of ew, which developed into (iuu), as heard in cure, pure, etc. It has come to much the same thing as if we had introduced the sound of (i) before the long u of the Lat. cura, purus; and, accordingly, this introductory sound of (i) is regularly heard where (long) u is written, except when an r or l precedes, when only the (uu) is heard, as in cruel (kruu'el), exclude (ekskluu'd). I shall take these cases separately.

- § 77. The usual E. long u (uu) in the A. S. $h\bar{u}s$, M. E. hous (by the use of ou for \bar{u}), was regularly developed into (au), as in E. house (haus), by the insertion of a before the vowel, which produced a diphthong; see vol. i. § 46, p. 64. Consequently, the A. F. long u, when sounded as (uu), was developed in the same way, so that A. F. gute, M. E. goute, is E. gout. This has happened regularly in A. F. open syllables. The cases involving un, ur, require separate treatment. See also under Ou (§ 87), which is the late spelling of \bar{u} .
- (1) Cu-ard, cow-ard, coward; pru-esce, M. E. pruesse, prowess; bu-el-e, bow-el, bowel; ru-el-e, rowel (of a spur); tu-ail-le, M. E. toaille, towaille, a towel; vuu, s., a vow; vou-er, to vow. Cu-cher, co-cher, to couch. Es-pu-se, spouse; es-pu-sen, to espouse. Du-te, M. E. doute, doubt (with b pedantically inserted); gu-te, gout; ru-te, rout (band of men). See also under Ou.

- (2) Un. This is mixed up with the case of on (8 60). because on and un often represented the same sound, viz. (un). There was in M. E. a strong tendency to turn (un) into (uun), mod. E. (aun), as in the case of A. S. bunden, E. bounden. This came to the same result as if the u had been long. I. e. both on (in some cases) and un became $\bar{u}n$ (uun), and were consequently developed as oun (aun). All the cases can be taken together: Renun, renown. Renuncer, to renounce; unce, ounce. Abunder, to abound; bunder, to bound (fix a limit); bundes, bondes, boundes, bounds, limits; soun, a sound (with excrescent d); suner, soner, to sound; surunder, to flood (L. R. 144), to surround. Cunseil, conseil, counsel; conseil, council; conseiller, to counsel. Acunte, s., an account; amunter, amounter, to amount; counte, a count (earl); cuntesse, contesse, countess; conte, counte, county; cunter, counter, to count; counte, a count (in law-pleading); contrepleder, to counterplead; encuntre, s., an encounter; funteine, fountain; recunter, to recount; munter, to mount. See also under Ou.
- (3) Ur. Here the \bar{u} is regularly developed into (au), but the r is liable to be untrilled, the result being (auə). *Devurer*, to devour; *flur*, a flower (also 'flour,' which is the same word). See also under **Ou** (§ 87).
- § 78. It has been shown that the A. F. \bar{u} , when written for long \ddot{u} (yy) is developed into E. u (iuu, yuu), except when r or l precedes.²
- (1) Taking the exceptions first, examples are: acru, pp. accrued (whence E. accrue, and the sb. crew, by loss of a; see § 42); cruël, cruel; crueltë, cruelty; cruet, cruet; truant, truan, (V.), truant; rubi, ruby; crucifier, to crucify; crucifix, crucifix; prudence, prudence; rumour, rumour: scruple, scruple; scrupulus, scrupulous; bruser, to bruise (bruuz), for

¹ See my paper on surround; Phil. Soc. Trans. 1882-4, p. 247.

² This rule only applies, as far as relates to l, to old words, such as *conclude* (konkloo'd). In *late* words, the sound of i after l is apt to creep in. I hear both (soliuu'shən) and (soluu'shən) for *solution*.

which see the New E. Dictionary; intrusion, intrusion. In the word fruit, the old spelling with ui was intended to indicate the old sound of (yi), i. e. $\ddot{u} + i$, which was afterwards 'smoothed' to that of (yy), i. e. long \ddot{u} ; hence M. E. fruit (fryyt); and the spelling is retained, though it is pronounced as (fruut). [The same is true of A. F. suite, also sute, a 'suit' at law; but it is pronounced (siuut).] Examples in which l precedes u are: blu, blew, blue; plume, plume (pluum); collusion, collusion; conclusion, conclusion; reclus, recluse.

- (2) Omitting the combination ur, the following examples involve the sound (iuu, yuu). Annuitē, annuity; duël, duel; eschure, eschuer, to eschew (eschiuu; also eschuu); pursivere, pursure, to pursue; suire, M. E. suën, to sue. Duc, duke. Bugle (horn), bugle. Repugner, to repugn. Gule (the throat), whence gules (?), goules, gules (in heraldry). Humur, humour. Union, union; communion, communion; unitē, unity. Acuser, to accuse; excuser, to excuse; anusance, nusance, nuisance; musike, music; refuser, to refuse; usage, usage; us, use; user, to use; usure, M. E. usure, also usurie, usury. Confusioun, confusion; effusioun, effusion. Desputer, to dispute; duetē (an obligation, L. A. 211), duty; future, future. So also muet, mut, mute; suite, sute, suit (at law).
- (3) Ur. If a vowel follows ur, the r is trilled, as in iurour, juror. Otherwise, the r is untrilled, and we get the combination (iuuə). Cure, cure; endurer, to endure; obscure, obscure; pure, pure.

DIPHTHONGS.

§ 79. Ai, ay. The diphthong ai was originally sounded (ai), as written, i. e. with a (a) as in father, followed by short i (i). When another vowel followed, the (i) was liable to take the sound of y in buoyant, and it was convenient to write ay for it; as in A. F. delayer, to delay. The same symbol was usually employed at the end of a word, as in A. F. lay, a lay (song). This practice is now universal, so that we

now write ay, ey, or ey at the end of a word, but ai, ei, or oi in the middle. We may therefore consider ai, ay together.

It is probable that the sound of (ai) passed into that of (ei) generally, as we find that words such as pais, peace, aise, ease, are spelt peis, eise, in later texts 1; and still later, we find pees, eese (or ese), though this double change is not very common. At any rate, the old (ai) is now pronounced as (ei), though the spelling with ai or ay is retained. On the other hand, the old diphthong ei (ei) is often retained unaltered in modern English, as in veyne, veine, a vein; so that there is much confusion between the diphthongs ai and ei, and it will therefore be convenient to consider them in close connexion with each other. See § 80. In modern E., the spellings ai and ei are confused, and afford no sure guide to the etymology. Array, array; arayer, to array; assai, asay, assay (of victuals); asayer, to assay; brayer, to bray (as an ass); delay, delay; guay, gay, gay; iay (i as j), a jay; lay, lay (song); paie, s., pay; paiement, payment; paer, paier, to pay; praie, praye, prey; rai, ray, ray (of light); raie, raye, ray (a fish). Aide, aid; aider, to aid. Waif, waif. Assailir, to assail; bailler, to bail; bailif, a bailiff; faillir, to fail; quaille, quayle, a quail (bird); taile, tail (in a legal sense, as in en-tail); taillour, a tailor; chaine, cheine, a chain; gain, gayne, gain, s.; gaäiner, gainer, gaigner, to gain; grain, grain; paine, pain; plain, plain (flat ground); plain, plain, adj. (smooth); *remaindre, remeindre, infin. remainder, sb.; remain- (present indic. stem of remeindre), remain 2; vain, vain, adj. Raisin, raisin. * Await, aguait, agait, await, s.; caitif, caitiff; traitur, traitor. Wayter, guaiter, to wait; wayte, wait (a watchman).

¹ Schwan (§ 272) says that, in Central (continental) French ai passed into e (open e) in the former half of the thirteenth century, when pais is found riming with apres.

² In several cases, the E. verh is taken, not from the infinitive mood but from the present indicative, or rather from the stem of it. We find remayn-ent, 3 p. pl. pr. indic.: L. C. 62.

When the ai is followed by r, the r is usually untrilled in modern English, so that we get the combination (ei \ni). Afaire, affair; pair, pair.

§ 80. Ei, ey. As above noted, the sounds of ai, ei were confused. Accordingly some of the words given below are occasionally spelt with ai. The old sound of (ei), as in E. vein, convey, is still retained.

Affrei, affray, affray (also fray, by the loss of the former syllable); conveier, to convey; obeier, to obey; purveier, to purvey. Feid, fei, M. E. feith, fey, faith. Veil, veil. Desdeigner, to disdain; demeine, M. E. demein, Tudor Eng. demain, now altered to domain (by influence of late F. domaine); destreindre, to distrain; feindre, to feign; ordeiner, to ordain; reines, reins (part of the body); remeindre, to remain, also remainder, s.; veyne, vein; aqueyntance, acquaintance (with inserted c before q); ateinte, attaint; ateint, pp. attainted; compleint, complaint; peynt, paint; pleinte, plaint; pleintif, plaintiff; queint, quaint; seint, saint. Preiser, to praise; estreit, strait (narrow). Weiver, to waive.

When ei is followed by an untrilled r, we have the combination (ei \ni); eir and air being pronounced alike.

Despeir, s., despair; empeirer, to impair; feire, s., a fair; heire, an heir; meire, M. E. meire, maire, now oddly spelt mayor (by influence of Span. mayor?); preiere, prayer; repeirer (for older * repairer), to repair.

The following words, viz. aveir-de-peis, cheys, choice, peiser, to poise (weigh), veiage, voyage, were replaced by continental F. forms, viz. by words derived from O. F. avoir and pois, chois, poiser, voyage. The difference between the A. F. ei and the O. F. oi is striking. So also we have both convey and convoy; display and deploy; peitrel and poitrel; leal and loyal; realm beside the adj. royal. The A. F. peiser is the origin of the verb to peize in Shak. Merch. Ven. iii. 2. 22; K. John ii. 1. 575; Rich. III. v. 3. 105.

There is also an A.F. espleit answering to E. exploit.

- § 81. We have now to consider the variations to which ai, ay, and ei, ey are subject. We have seen that they usually appear as (ei) in E.
- (1) Under the action of the primary accent (eiz) is sometimes shortened to (ez). Examples are rare. Leisir, M. E. leisir, leisere, leisure (by influence of the later word pleasure). In the same way (ei) is shortened to (e) in A. F. veirdit, M. E. verdit, a verdict (with c inserted, by Latin influence). Cf. A. F. meinoure, M. E. mainour, in the phrase 'pris ou meinoure,' S. R. 161, i.e. 'taken with the mainour'; this should accordingly have become mennor (menor), but has been turned into manner by confusion with manner from A. F. manere. It is an A. F. translation of Lat. in manuopera captus, taken in the act or performance. And again, as is shortened to a (æ) in taille, a tally; vaillant, valiant.
- (2) In a few cases, both ai and ei have become (ii) in modern English. A. F. kaië, M. E. quay (=kay), a quay (kii). Plait, plai, M. E. play, plee, a plea; traiter, to treat.

Deceit, deceit; deceivre, to deceive; receite, receipt (with pedantically inserted \overline{p}); receivre, to receive; seisir, to seize; seisine, seisin; seison, sesoun, season; raisoun, reison, resoun, M. E. resoun, reason; traison, treison, treson, treason. So also aise, eise, ese, ease.

It is also worth while to note that ai, ei may result from contraction in some of the above words. We may here consider together various A. F. diphthongs and triphthongs, which bring about forms usually represented in mod. E. by the sounds (ei) and (ii).

Ahai. A. F. mahaigne, mahaym, maheime, M. E. maime, a maim, maiming (spelt mahim in Blount's Nomolexicon); mahaymer, maymer, mayner, to maim. Cf. y-mayheymed, pp., in P. Plowman, B. xvii. 189 (MS. C.).

Ai-e, ay-e. *Grayël* (a service-book, also called a gradual), a grail (obsolete); *quai-er*, a quire (kwaiə) of paper.

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- Aë. Flaël, a flail (Godefroy; cf. the pp. flaele, beaten, W. W. 5676); paële, a frying-pan, a peel (baker's shovel). Cf. chaëine, older form of chaine, a chain.
- Eä. The diphthong eä is sometimes written, in a later form, ee; it becomes (ii) in E. Feälte (faithfulness), fealty (fiiəlti, fii·lti); leäl (loyal), leal; creäture, M. E creäture, creature (krii·chəə); reälme, realm (relm). See § 61.
- **E**ë. The e-e which arose from a consonant being lost between the two vowels became simple \bar{e} , by contraction, as in $d\bar{e}n$, $d\bar{e}n$, dean; $m\bar{e}n$, $m\bar{e}n$, adj. mean (intermediate); $s\bar{e}l$, $s\bar{e}l$, seal. Similarly, ei became ee or \bar{e} , as aise, eise, eese, ease; pais, peis, pees, peace. See § 61.

Ao, eio. Gaole, geiole, gaol (jeil).

- § 82. Au. (1) In the combinations aum, aum, the au is usually the result of slightly lengthening a whilst at the same time giving the vowel a somewhat nasal sound. In this way aum, aum arise from an earlier am or an; § 50 and § 51 (3). A. F. exhibits this in a considerable number of words in which the mod. E. form is really derived from am or an, pronounced (æm) or (æn). Thus we find A. F. raumper, to ramp, whence 'rampant'; saumon, a salmon; abaundoner, as well as abandoner, to abandon; fraunkelayn, for frankelayn, a franklin; a raundoun as well as de randun, at random (properly at randon). Similar, but with the modern sound (ei), are the examples: chaunge, as well as change, change; graunge, as well as grange, grange.
- (2) It is owing to this nasal sound that we find a lengthened into modern (aa) before n, as in these cases: aunte, aunt; braunche, branch; chaunce, chance; chaunceler, chancellor; traunce, trance; chaundeler, chandler, chaunt, chant; remaunder, to remand (rimaa'nd, rimænd'); esclaundre, slander (slaa'ndəə, rather than slæn'dee). For further examples, see § 51.

¹ But E. romp fairly represents A. F. raumper.

§ 83.]

- (3) We find the same effect still more strongly marked in the words in which aun is pronounced (aon). Examples are: avant, avaunt; avaunt; hanter, haunter, to haunt; lande (land, plain), launde, M. E. launde, a lawn (by loss of d). So also danter, to daunt; espandre, to spawn; vanter, to vaunt; already noted in § 51. Similarly, lavender, a washerwoman, was contracted into M. E. launder (also lavender); and, by addition of the fem. suffix -ess, has given E. laundress, short for launder-ess.
- (4) But when m or n does not succeed au, the diphthong au must be original in A. F., or (as will be seen hereafter) is due to an earlier al. In modern E., the corresponding diphthong is also written au; but the sound has changed from (au), i. e. the ou in house, to (ao), i. e. the au in cause.

Daubour, dauber; hauberc, hauberk. Faucoun, M.E. faukon, faucon, falcon (with l pedantically substituted for u). Audience, audience; auditour, auditor; fraude, fraud. Augurer, to augur. Cause, cause; clause, clause. To these we must add two words containing the combination aun in which the au is original as far as A.F. is concerned, viz. braun (= bra-ün), brawn; iauniz, M.E. iaunys (i=j), jaundice. Gaude (trinket), gaud, is a late word.

- (5) It is remarkable that, in a few words involving au, the modern E. has forms in which the u is neglected. Thus E. save is from sauver, to save, occasionally spelt saver, as in S. R. 141 (A. D. 1300); and safety answers to sauvetē. Chafe answers to se chaufer, to warm oneself, M. E. chaufen, to warm. For the A. F. gauger we still write to gauge, and for A. F. gaugeour we have gauger, but we pronounce the words as (geij) and (gei·jəə). Cf. A. F. chambre, chaumbre, E. chamber.
- § 83. Eu. We have seen in § 75 that the sound of A. F. u, when denoting (yy), was drawn towards that of the E. ew, and both are now represented by (iuu), with the stress on the second element. The A. F. eu also resembled the E. ew,

and must soon have coincided with it; it has therefore become (iuu), in the same way. It was usual to write ew for eu before another vowel, and sometimes at the end of a word; hence we do the same in modern English, as in jewel, Jew.

- (1) Adeu, adieu; Geu, Jew. Ewere, ewer; fewaile, fuel. Deus (two), deuce (in dice-play); Deus (God), deuce (as an exclamation). Beutē, M.E. bewtē, beauty (conformed in spelling to late F. beauté).
- (2) After r the (i)-sound disappears; as in reule, M. E. reule, riwle, rule (ruul).
- (3) The E. combination su (siuu) necessarily becomes (shuu). Seur, sure; seurtē, surety; asseurer, to assure. Cf. sugar (F. sucre).
- (4) Ieupartie, B. i. 318, also iupardie, Y. f. 171, jeopardy. In this word, the M. E. forms varied; we find both iupartie or iupardie, and iepardie; and even iopardie, ieopardie, the diphthong eu being variously shortened under stress. We have really adopted the form jepardy in our speech, but we still use, in writing, the old form with jeo-.

Iew, ew, iw. Varieties of eu. Veue, Y. a. 165, vewe, Y. a. 67, view, L. A. 182, a view (viuu). Trewes, triwes, a truce ¹ See also Ui in § 89.

§ 84. Ie. In this combination, the stress on the former element was extremely slight, the sound being (iee), with the stress on (ee). Hence it was developed just like (ee), and has now become (ii). It is chiefly remarkable for the fact that we retain the i in spelling, though we sound ie like e in scene, thus practically neglecting the i altogether. Hence its appearance in such a word as field, which results from M. E. feld by lengthening the e into $\tilde{e}=ee$; the A. S. form being feld.

Niece, nece, niece; piece, pece, a piece. Chief, chief; grief, gref, grief; relief, relief, relief. Siege, sege, siege. Piere,

¹ Truce is really a plural noun; and the A.F. word, also found in the singular in the form trewe, was probably an adaptation of O.H.G. triuwa, a compact, lit. a true thing.

M. E. pere, a pier; the spelling with ie is the more remarkable because the usual M. E. spelling is with e. See § 61(2).

85. Oe, eo. It is difficult to know precisely what is meant by oe. Oe seems to have represented at first the sound (oè), and, somewhat later, the sound of F. eu in peuple; after which it was usually smoothed into the monophthong denoted by M.E. long e. Cf. § 25, p. 38. The spelling eo denoted a diphthong in which e was the prominent vowel, and which hardly differed from M. E. long e. Impuly where original

A.F. oetaves, utaves, utavs, meaning the 'octaves' of a festival, answers to utas, as used by Palsgrave in 1530, who gives: 'Utas of a feest, octauues.' This is generally given as the origin of utis, in Shakespeare, 2 Hen. IV. ii. 4. 22, where the sense is 'merriment.' We find A. F. beof, bef, beef, of which the original form was boef. The verb 'to move' shows various forms, viz. mover, muver, remoever, remover, to remove, meovement, movement. Owing to this uncertainty, we find various forms in M. E., viz. moven, meoven, meven 1, P. Pl. B. 17. 194. These forms would have given move and meve in mod. E., but meve is obsolete. So also A. F. prover, pruver, is M. E. proven, preoven, preven, whence we might have had both prove and preve; but preve is obsolete. is curious that there is also an A. S. profian, borrowed from Latin probare. Besides which, the form preve is preserved in the compound repreve (Palsgrave), now spelt reprieve. Similarly we have the verb retrieve, formerly retreve (Palsgrave), corresponding to an O.F. retribleer; cf. A.F. troever, trover, to find, B. i. 45, 27. Chaucer speaks of blowing a 'moot' upon a horn, being the name of a peculiar blast blown by a huntsman; Book Duch., 376. The A. F. word is meot, F. F. 373. Shakespeare's affeer (Macb. iv. 3. 34) answers to an A.F. affeurer, to fix a price, to confirm, Y. f. 215; from foer,

¹ Moven and meven are from different stems. Thus Lat. mouere (with o unaccented) answers to A. F. mover, F. mouvoir; whilst Lat. mouent (with o accented) answers to F. meuvent (cf. A. F. meovement).

value, L. C. 304. We also find A. F. soeffrir, as well as suffrir, to suffer; coeverfu, as well as covrefeu, couverfeu, curfew; rekeverir as well as recoverir, to recover; cf. M. E. keveren as well as coveren, to cover; and A. F. keverchief, a kerchief.

The equivalence of eo to simple long e is shown in feof, a fief, with which compare $feoff\bar{e}$, $feff\bar{e}$, a feoffee; feffement, a feoffment; people, M. E. people, $p\bar{e}ple$, people (in which the eo is still written). Compare also the various spellings of 'jeopardy' in § 83.

It is clear that A. F. oe corresponded exactly to no sound in English; but was developed into a M. E. \bar{e} , which was sometimes written eo; as in beof, beef, from boef.

- **86. Oi, oy.** This sound at first varied, according as the o was open or close. To the former class belongs A. F. ioie, in which the oi hardly differed from the oy in E. joy. In F. joie, the oi has suffered further change.
- (1) Coy, coy; ivie (with i=j), joy; enjoier, to enjoy. So O. F. boye, a buoy, B. B. i. 45 (a late word in E.). Voice, voice; voide, adj., void; voider, to void; voidance, voidance. Assoile, r. p. s. pr., I assoil; boillir, to boil; despoiller, to despoil; espoilles, s. pl., spoils; foille (a leaf), foil; moiller (to wet, L. A. 724), M. E. moillen, to wet, E. moil (to drudge, as in wet); oile, oille, oil; soil, soyl, soil. Adjoindre, to adjoin; coign, coyng, coin; enoint, pp., anointed; ivindre, to join; oignement, ointment, with excrescent t; point, point. Noise, noise; cloistre, cloister; oistre, oyster; poison, poison.

In some cases, the oi took the place of an earlier ei. Thus, Gaymar has empleier, l. 2064; but in the Statutes of the Realm, i. 338 (A.D. 1353), we find emploier, to employ. Leàl (S. R. 29, A.D. 1275), more correctly leial, gave way to loial (S. R. 132, A.D. 1299). Peiser, to weigh (S. R. 218, ab. 1284), gave way to poiser, to poise (used at the same reference). Veiage, M.E. viage, gave way to voyage, voyage. Meytē (a half, Y. a. 219) was supplanted by moytē (Y. b. 441), a moiety (with inserted e). Here ei is the A. F. sound, and oi was due to continental influence.

- (2) A few exceptional forms may be noticed here. Ioial, iuel (i=j), M. E. iuel, a jewel. Coiller, cuillir, to coil, (also) to cull; we find M. E. cullen, but not coillen, which we might expect to find. Oynoun, M. E. oinoun, onion. Coille, cuille, a quilt. We may here note the curious occasional use of quoi for coi in English. Thus we find quoil for coil, a tumult (Halliwell); quoif for coif (id.); quoin, a printer's wedge, the same word as coin; quoit, better spelt coil. Cf. quay = key (kii); etc.
- § 87. Ou, ow. Even if the combination ou was once diphthongal (ou), it soon passed into simple long u (uu), and was developed in the same way. Indeed, it was used as a symbol for \bar{u} even in words of A.S. origin; as, $h\bar{u}s$, M.E. hous, a house (haus). Hence the modern sound into which it is regularly developed is (au); see § 76. In one particular instance we find ou written instead of long open o before a double l, viz. in the word roule for rolle, a roll; see the note in Littré on the etymology of rouler, and see (4) below. Before a vowel, ou was written as ow; in mod. E. it is also written ow before a vowel and at the end of a word, as in vowel, vow. We even write town for toun, and powder for pouder.
- (1) Alower, to allow (əlau); avower, to avow; avowëson, advowson (with lost e, and inserted d); bowel, bowel;
 enboweler, to embowel; dower, dower; poër, pouer, power,
 power. Voucher, to vouch. Poudre, powder. Houre, hour;
 flour, flour, flower; tour, tower (in which the untrilled r gives
 the combination (auə). Ouster, to oust. Doute, doubt (with
 inserted b); outrage, outrage. So also E. housing (horse-trapping) was formed from A.F. huces, houces, mantles, coverings.
- (2) In the combination oun, the ou is merely lengthened from the o in on, or the u in un; see § 69. I have already given instances; but may here note the following:—

Acounte, s., account; amounter, to amount; bounte, bounty;

¹ I here note the curious forms powe, a paw, F. F. 383; howe, a hoe, W. W. 1451.

- counte, county; countenance, countenance; foundre, to found (to melt metals); founder, to found (establish); foundour, founder (establisher); goune, gown; noun (a name), noun; mountaigne, mountain.
- (3) Sometimes the ou is a mere variety of short u, it is then developed, in the same way, into the obscure vowel (3); see § 74 (3). So also frount, front, frunt, front; coureour; a currier; moustre, a sample, L. A. 696, whence the phrase 'to pass muster,' i. e. to come up to the sample, to bear inspection.
- (4) Sometimes oul is another spelling for oll (§ 72). Thus we find roule, rolle, a roll; enrouler, enroller, to enroll. Our word scroll is a diminutive of the law-term scrow or escrow, M.E. scrowe, A.F. escrowee, with a dimin. form escrouet.
- (5) We find our for or before another consonant; as in enfourmer for enformer, to inform; see § 70 (3). Also for ur before s, t; as in cours, court, for curs, curt; see § 75.
- § 88. Ua. This occurs in assuager, to assuage, S. R. 186. § 89. Ui. (1) This occurs in a few words, where mod. E. has oi, oy. Destruire, M. E. destruien, to destroy; esnui, s., M. E. anoy, annoy; esnuier, ennuyer, M. E. annoyen, anoyen, to annoy; bruiller, to broil; muiller, moiller, (to wet), to moil (to toil in wet); recuiller, to recoil. The sound was probably (6i) in these words, passing into E. (0i). Ui also denoted (yi), i. e. the sound of G. ü in schützen followed by short (i), as in A. F. fruit.
- (2) In the word *fruit*, the sound became first (fryyt), with (yy) as in G. *grün* (gryyn), and afterwards (fruut), as at present; see § 78.
- (3) The curious word pui, a stage, platform, was probably developed, first as (pyy'i), then as M. E. pew-e, and then became monosyllabic. It is certainly the original of E. pew; see Liber Custumarum, 216, and the Glossary. In the same way we have obtained our puny from the O. F. puisnē,

lit. 'born after,' hence, younger, inferior, the s being dropped as usual, before the nasal.

§ 90. Unaccented syllables. In all the examples given above, the vowel-changes or developments have been exemplified in the syllable which now receives the accent, as this is, in the present form, the most important syllable in a word. With regard to the unaccented syllables of words of A. F. origin, it is almost sufficient to say that, in the modern forms, such syllables are invariably weaker and slighter than they were originally. A few instances may suffice to show the kind of changes thus produced. The following list is by no means exhaustive; it is only intended by way of illustration.

Suffix -y. It has been shown, in § 44, that there are certain words, such as enemy, mercy, which in Chaucer end in -y, whilst others end in -y-e, such as fol-y-e, compan-y-e. In modern English, the final -e is invariably lost, so that these two sets of words now rime together, and a poet is allowed to pair off enemy with company, if he has no objection to ending his line with a rather weak syllable. But besides this, there was a considerable class of words ending, in A. F., in \bar{e} or $\bar{e}\bar{e}$, for which ν has since been substituted. Chaucer has a long list of them, viz. such as adversitee, beautee, destinee, devntee, difficultee, dignitee, diversitee, divinitee, entree, equitee, facultee, felicitee, etc. This last set all rimed with such words as the verb be, whereas the word enemy rimed with the preposition by. Hence, in modern English, the substantives in -y are allowed to rime with either be or by. In Southey's Battle of Blenheim. we read-

"'Tis some poor fellow's skull," said he,
Who fell in the great victory.'

On the other hand, in Scott's Marmion we read—
'A light on Marmion's visage spread,
And fired his glazing eye:
With dying hand, above his head,
He shook the fragment of his blade,
And shouted "Victory!"'

We thus see that the three A. F. endings, viz. -i, -i-e, and -ee, are all 'levelled' under the E. ending -y, usually pronounced as short (i), as in beauty (biun'ti), but occasionally lengthened into (ii) in poetry under the secondary accent, and allowed to rime with words ending either with the sound (ai) or with the sound (ii).

Suffix -ce, etc. In the suffix -ce, the vowel e is lost, and all words that once contained it are shortened by one syllable at least. The same remark is true of every suffix terminating in -e. Thus A.F. gra-ce is now grace, vi-ce is now vice, chan-ce is now chance, etc. The syllable preceding the -ce is frequently weakened; thus bal-áun-ce is now bálance; cre-váce is now crévice. In a like manner fran-chi-se is now fránchise; par-o-che is párish; and im-á-ge is ímage. Cár-i-ā-ge is cut down to carriage (kær-ij).

Suffix -ail-e. Of this suffix, once dissyllabic, very often nothing more is left than a vocalic *l*. Thus bat-aîl-e is battle (bæt'l); and vit-aîl-e is vittle (vit'l), usually spelt victual, by an absurd pedantry. Cf. rascaile, rascal; tuaille, towel; fewaille, fuel; apparaile, apparel.

Suffixes with n. Ma-trô-ne, matron; funt-ain-e, fountain; bar-ai-ne, barren. Chap-e-lein, chaplain; chest-ein (-nut), chestnut, chesnut; en-seig-ne, ensign. The suffix-oun is much lightened; hence blas-oun becomes blazon; and all words in -ci-oun now end in -tion, pronounced as (-shən), or as (-shn), with vocalic n. So also con-clu-si-oun becomes conclusion (konkluuzhn); ben-e-i-con is benison; O.F. mal-e-i-con is malison; ven-i-son is venison (venzn).

Suffixes with r. The suffix -our was confused with A. S. -ere, and frequently becomes -er. Hence barbour, barber; daubour, dauber; meinour, manner (in the phrase 'taken with the manner'); jugleour, juggler; abrocour, broker. Where F. has the suffix -aire, the A. F. form was -arie, whence E. -ary; cf. A. F. adversarie, E. adversary. The accent was formerly on the a of -árie; a trace of which we

still see in the prov. E. contrary. The later A. F. sometimes has -aire, as in vicaire; hence E. vicar. The oldest A. F. form armeüre gave way to a later armure, armoure; hence E. armour. A. F. mireür became M. E. mirour; hence E. mirror. A. F. na-tur-e is now nature (nei-chəə).

- § 91. Consonantal changes. As E. is really spelt with A. F. symbols, the consonantal changes are very few, at any rate in appearance. Indeed, we have kept up the old sounds of ch and j (written i) which in France have become (sh) and (zh) respectively. The old A. F. z=ts is lost, though traces of it are seen in E. fitz for A. F. fiz, and in E. assets for A. F. assez, i. e. sufficient; we now use z only in the F. manner, i.e. as z in zone. Initial h is dropped in ermine, A. F. hermine¹, and is sometimes silent as in hour, heir, etc. Still there are some words of A.F. origin in which it has the full force of an E. aspirate, as in hackney, hamlet, hardy, harness, haste, hauberk, haunt, hazard, huge, hurt; none of these being of Latin origin. We even aspirate h in the case of several words that are of Latin origin; as in habit, haughty, hearse, hideous, homage, homicide, horrible, hospital, host, hostage, hostel, human, humid evidently because a silent initial h before a stressed vowel is opposed to the habits of the language. Even humble and herb are seldom heard with the silent h any longer. We also pronounce it in A.F. words of Greek origin, as in hermit, heresy, history, hulk, hypocrite, hyssop.
- § 92. Perhaps the most remarkable, but not universal, sound-change is the change of A. F. ss into E. sh. This is particularly striking in the case of the verbs that are derived from 'inceptive' stems; so called because they correspond to the inceptive stem -sc-ere of Latin verbs. Thus, whilst we have A. F. flurir, florir, answering to Lat. florere, we also find the A. F. stem floriss- (appearing, for example, in the present

¹ Cf. also able, M.E. hable (not an early word), from O.F. hable. In A.F. hermine and O.F. hable, the h was silent.

plural indic. floriss-ons, and the present participle floriss-ant), corresponding to the Lat. inceptive verb florescere. In every case, we have turned the A. F. ss into E. sh; hence the verbs accomplish, banish, blandish, blemish, brandish, burnish, cherish, establish, finish, flourish, furbish, furnish, garnish, languish, nourish, polish, punish, ravish, relinguish, skirmish, vanish: with some others, imitative of these, of later origin. By analogy with these, the A.F. amenuser, M.E. menusen, was turned into minish; the A.F. amonester, M.E. amonesten, later amonessen, was turned into amonish, and, finally, into admonish; whilst the M. E. astonien, to astonie, or astony, has acquired a by-form, to astonish. So also A. F. anguisse is now anguish; A.F. busselle, L. A. 267, is now bushel; A.F. quasser is E. quash; O. F. pousser (A. F. * pusser) is E. push; and A. F. usser, G. 5005, is now usher. Even a single final s has become sh in A. F. and M. E. robous, E. rubbish. We may also note A. F. faceon, facoun (with c as s), E. fashion; A. F. truncun (with c as s), E. truncheon (transhan); A. F. paroche, E. parish. Similarly, A. F. s has become (zh) between two vowels (the latter being u) in mesure, measure; by analogy with which, A. F. tresor, leisir, have been turned into E. treasure, leisure.

Final f is lost in jolly, from A. F. iolif, later ioly (with i as j); and in hasty, A. F. hastif. Final n is lost in haughty, A. F. hautein; the gh is a meaningless insertion, perhaps due to association with high.

Final s is entirely lost in the sb. rescue (M. E. rescous, A. F. rescouse); but this may be due to the form of the verb, A. F. rescure. Final l is lost in A. F. conil, a rabbit, M. E. cony, later coney. The spelling of M. E. valiant, E. valiant, suggests that the ll of A. F. vaillant was sounded as the E. lli in million; the word brilliant, from F. brillant, was not in use before the seventeenth century. The silent s in such words as A. F. masle, blasmer, disner, has disappeared in the E. male, blame, dine; but is written in demesne and isle and

viscount. This s was sounded as (z) in early A. F., but not for long. Cf. § 163 below.

& 93. Inserted consonants. There are a few cases in which consonants have been inserted, chiefly by pedants, and from mistaken ideas as to 'etymology,' into A. F. forms. Examples are of two kinds: (1) those in which the true pronunciation has been kept up, ignoring such insertions; and (2) those in which the inserted consonant has at last succeeded in vitiating the old pronunciation. In the first class we may place such words as Christ, Christian, A. F. Crist, Cristien; chronicle, A. F. cronicle; chrysolite, A. F. crisolite; debt (det), A. F. dette; doubt (daut), A. F. doute; falcon (fao kn), A. F. faucon; delight, Anglicised spelling of A. F. delit; indict, Latinised spelling of A. F. enditer; receipt, A. F. receite; salmon, A. F. saumon; subtle, A. F. sotil; victual, A. F. vitaille. In the second class are: fault, from M. E. and A. F. faute; language (with inserted u), from A. F. langage; ointment (with excrescent t after n), from A.F. oinement; subject, Latinised spelling of M. E. subject, A. F. subgit, subget; truant, with excrescent t, from A. F. truan; verdict, Latinised spelling of A. F. veirdit. I have already mentioned the change of A. F. femele into female, by confusion with male.

In some cases, letters have been inserted purely for phonetic reasons, to mark the pronunciation more clearly. The most remarkable of such insertions are the d before ge, as in lodge, judge, and the t before ch, in butcher, fletcher, vetch; also c before k, in peck, from A. F. pek; and the k after c in buckle, from A. F. bucle. Flower seems also to be a more phonetic spelling than flour, and to be better associated with bower; yet flour and flower are merely varied spellings of one and the same word.

CHAPTER VII.

On Some Changes in Pronunciation.

§ 94. In vol. i. § 313, p. 340, I have given a table showing the commoner changes in English words of A. S. origin; including the forms and spellings of certain characteristic words in the A. S., the M. E., and the modern period. In the same way a table may be given showing the changes of certain words in the A. F., the M. E., and the modern period likewise. The words in *italics* represent actual spellings, i. e. the *forms*: whilst the words in Roman letters represent the pronunciations according to the romic scheme (as slightly modified in § 312), i. e. the *sounds*. The curl over an a or e (as \tilde{a} or \tilde{e}) indicates a nasal sound of the vowel.

Anglo-French.	MIDDLE ENGLISH.	Modern English.
<i>lampe</i> (lãmpə)	lampe (lampə)	lamp (læmp)
palmer (palmer)	palmer (palmer)	palmer (paaməə)
fals (fals)	fals (fals)	false (faols)
lance (lãnsə)	lance (laansə, lansə)	lance (laans)
5 art (art)	art (art)	art (aat)
parent (parent)	parent (parent)	parent (paerent)
passer (passer)	passen (passən)	pass (paas)
fame (faamə)	fame (faamə)	fame (feim)
secund (sekũnd)	second (sekund)	second (seknd)
10 renc (renk)1	renk (rênk, rank)¹	rank (rænk)
<i>merci</i> (mersii)	mercy (mersi)	mercy (məəsi)
gerner (gerner)	gerner (gemer)	garner (gaanəə)
veël (ve-el)	veel (vael)	veal (viil)
degree (degree)	degree (degree)	degree (digrii)
15 peine (peinə)	<i>peyne</i> (peinə)	pain (pein)
<i>prince</i> (prinsə)	prince (prinsə)	prince (prins)
cri (krii)	cry (krii)	cry (krai)

¹ The e had a nasal sound; whence the change to (æ) in E. rank.

Anglo-French.	MIDDLE ENGLISH.	Modern English.
honur (onuur)	honour (onuur)	honour (onee)
forme (furma)	forme (faorma)	form (faom)
20 trompe (trumpa)	trompe (trumpa)	trump (trəmp)
fol (fol)	fol (fol, fool)	fool (funl)
robe (raobə)	robe (raobə)	robe (roub)
iuge (jyjə) 🙀 🧵	iuge (jygə, jujə) 🦫	judge (jəj)
bulle (bulla)	bulle (bulla)	bull (bul)
25 turner (turner)	turnen (turnən)	turn (təən)
unce (unsə)	ounce (uunsə)	ounce (auns)
cure (kyyrə)	cure (kyyrə)	cure (kiuuə)
plume (plyymə)	<i>plume</i> (plyymə, pluumə)	plume (pluum)
lay (lai)	lay (lai, lei)	lay (lei)
30 plait (plait)	play, plee (plai, plei, plae)	plea (plii)
cause (kanzə)	cause (kauzə)	cause (kaoz)
aunte (auntə)	aunte (auntə)	aunt (aant)
seel (seël)	seel (sael)	seal (siil)
veil (veil)	<i>veile</i> (veilə)	veil (veil)
35 heire (eir)	heire (eirə)	<i>heir</i> (aeə)
seiser (seizer)	sesen (seezən)	seize (siiz)
beute (beutee)	bewtee (beutee)	beauty (biunti)
<i>chief</i> (chiéf)	cheef (cheef)	chief (chiif)
voice (vois)	voice, vois (vois)	voice (vois)
40 <i>poudre</i> (puudrə)	poudre (puudrə)	powder (paudəə)
rolle (rolə)	rolle (raolə)	roll (roul).

§ 95. If we compare the above words, especially in the M. E. forms, with words of A. S. origin, we can find similar developments in a great number of cases. Thus with example 1 in § 94, we may compare A. S. mann, a man; and we may tabulate the results thus:—

OLD ENGLISH.	MIDDLE ENGLISH.	Modern English.
mann (mann)	man (man)	man (mænn)
healf (healf)1	half (half)	half (haaf)
heall (heal)1	halle (ballə)	hall (haol)
plantian (plantian)	planten (planten)	plant (plaant)

¹ Healf, heall are A.S. (Southern); the Northern forms were half, hall; and so, probably, were the Midland.

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MODERN ENGLISH.
    OLD ENGLISH.
                         MIDDLE ENGLISH.
                                                   hard (haad, haad)
  5 heard (heard) 1
                          hard (hard)
                                                   stare (staea)
    starian (starian)
                          staren (staren)
    assa (assa)
                          asse (assa)
                                                   ass (aas)
    name (nama)
                          name (naama)
                                                   name (neim)
    hnecca (hnekka)
                          nekke (nekkə)
                                                   neck (nek)
                          drank (drangk)
                                                   drank (drængk)
 10 dranc (drangk)
  (Note the variation here; there is no A.S. sound like
A. F. \tilde{e}n.
    cerfille (kervilla)
                          chervelle (chervella)
                                                   chervil (chəəvil)
   (The A. S. usually has eo, as in ceorl, churl, eorpe, earth.)
    gerd (3erd)2
                           gerde (gerdə)
                                                   yard (3aad).
    ræran (raeran)
                          reren (raeran)
                                                   rear (riia)
    seo (seeo); me (mee) se (see); me (mee)
                                                   see (sii); me (mii).
 15 regen (resen) 2
                          reyn (rein)
                                                   rain (rein)
    witan (witan)
                          witen (witen)
                                                   wit (wit)
    wīn (wiin)
                           wyn (wiin)
                                                   wine (wain)
    on (aon, on)
                           on (aon, on)
                                                   on (on)
    forma (faorma)
                          former (faormer)
                                                   former (faoməə)
 20 sunu (sunu)
                           sone (suna)
                                                    son (sən)
   (No A. S. o=(u); compare no. 23 below.)
     to (too)
                           to (too)
                                                   to, too (tan)
    hol (hol)
                          hool (hool, haol)
                                                   hole (houl)
     up (up)
                           up (np)
                                                   up (əp)
    full (ful)
                          ful (ful)
                                                   full (ful)
 25 spurnan (spurnan)
                          spurnen (spurnen)
                                                   spurn (spəən)
    pund (pund)
                          pound (puund)
                                                   pound (pannd)
    f\bar{y}r (fyyr)
                          fyr (fiir)
                                                   fire (faiəə)
     rūm (ruum)3
                           roum (rnum)
                                                   room (ruum)
   (Quite an exceptional case; the A. S. \bar{u} = E. (au) by rule.)
     læg (læg, læi)
                           lay (lai)
                                                    lay (lei)
 30 sa (sae)
                           see (sae)
                                                    sea (sii)
     dragan (dragan)
                           drazen (drazen)
                                                   draw (drao)
     plantian (plantian), etc.; the same as No. 4 above.
     d\bar{\alpha}l (dael)
                           del, deel (dael)
                                                   deal (diil)
     segl (segal)
                           seil (seil)
                                                   sail (seil)
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¹ Answering to Mercian hard, whence the modern form.

² I here use the 3 for the y (consonant).

 $^{^3}$ The A. S. $r\bar{u}m$ is an adj., meaning roomy, spacious; so too is the M. E. roum in many instances.

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OLD ENGLISH.

35 leger (le3er)

[None.]

dēaw (deeau)

[None.]

[None.]

[None.]

[None.]

(None.]

(None.]

(None.]

(None.]

(None.]

(None.]

(None.]
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(No A. S. ou; compare No. 26 above.)

§ 96. On comparing the results given in § 95 with those in § 94, it will be seen that, in some cases, the A.S. and A.F. sounds agree, and in other cases are only approximate. The following conclusions may be drawn.

In the following cases the A.S. and A.F. symbols and sounds agree, either altogether or very nearly.

- (1) The A. F. a (a) agrees with the A. S. a (a), except that it is never 'broken' into ea; but it is probable that this use of ea for a was confined to the Southern dialect of English; or, if it affected the Midland dialect, did so only to a slight extent. On the other hand, we see (from 1. 32) that there was a tendency to nasalise and to lengthen the A. F. an, so that it was liable to become aun, whence the modern E. sound of (aan), as heard in lance, plant. Further the A. F. a in fame (faa·mə) was originally long, whilst the A. S. a in nama (na·ma) was short. The result was that the A. S. a, in an open syllable, was lengthened; and both alike answer to the modern E. a (ei) in fame, name. Hence it has arisen that all the modern E. so-called long a's, that have always been long, are of A. F. origin. The A. S. \bar{a} became E. oa, \bar{o} (ou); as in $\bar{a}c$, oak, $st\bar{a}n$, stone.
- (2) The A. F. short e answers to the A. S. short e in general. In M. E. the short e, from either source, had the open sound, as in E. men (Ten Brink, Chaucers Sprache, §§ 11, 79). The A. F. e in en had a nasal sound, and A. F. renc, M. E. renk, confused with F. rang, has produced E. rank; there is nothing of the kind in A. S. The A. S. almost invariably has eor for er, as in eorde, earth; vol. II.

and even in the Ancren Riwle we still find heorte, heart; but in Chaucer we have er only, as in herte, heart; merci, mercy. The A. S. often has ear for ar, as in geard, a yard (enclosure); but this became er in M. E., which at last made no distinction between this word and the A. S. gerd, gierd, a yard (rod). Both alike became M. E. gerd, E. yard; just as A. F. gerner is the M. E. gerner, E. garner.

- (3) The A.S. \bar{e} and $\bar{e}o$ both became M.E. \bar{e} , ee; cf. A.S. $m\bar{e}$, $s\bar{e}o$, A.F. degree, with E. me, see, degree. In such words the e usually had the close sound (Ten Brink, as above, §§ 23, 67); and modern English usually has the spelling \bar{e} or ee. The A.S. \bar{e} and $\bar{e}a$ also became M.E. \bar{e} , ee; but in this case the e usually had the open sound, and mod. E. usually has the spelling ea (id. § 24). The A.F. $ve\bar{e}l$ soon became monosyllabic, and this \bar{e} also had the open sound; cf. A.S. $r\bar{e}ran$, $h\bar{e}ap$, A.F. $v\bar{e}l$, with E. rear, heap, veal.
- (4) The diphthongs ai, ei, ay, ey, are characteristic of A. F., and were, at any rate in Chaucer's time, indistinguishable in words of A. F. origin; in mod. E., peine is spelt pain, whilst veine is spelt vein, the rime being perfect; cf. A. F. vain, vein, vain. In words of A. S. origin, ai, &c., can only arise from a vowel or diphthong followed by h or g; cf. A. S. eahta, ehta, eight; brægen, brain, regen, rain, weg, way. Curiously enough, the diphthong ei (ey) is not much used in words of A. S. origin; the commonest examples, in modern spelling, are eight, eighty, eighth; either, neither; eye, heifer, height, key, neigh, neighbour; weigh, weight, wey; weird, whey; to which we may add the Norse words they, their. We also find grey for gray. Examples of ai, ay are more numerous.
- (5) The A.S. i answers to A.F. i, whether short or long; the mod. E. has i (i) short, whilst the long i (ai) is now a diphthong. Note, too, that the E. short i (as in bii) is really the 'high-front-wide' vowel; whilst the A.F. (and probably the A.S.) short i was the 'high-front-narrow,' as in F. fini (Sweet).

- (6) The M. E. short o, whether of A. S. or of A. F. origin, had the open sound, as in E. on, honour (Ten Brink, Chaucer's Sprache, §§ 13, 81). In A. F., but not in A. S., the symbol o was used for short u (u), or for a vowel very closely approximating to it; and this use occurs in M. E. even in words of A. S. origin; cf. A. F. trompe, A. S. sunu; E. trump (trəmp), son (sən). The A. S. \bar{a} passed into a M. E. long open \bar{o} , still preserved in E. broad, and represented by oa in Tudor-English spelling; in mod. E. this oa (except in broad) is close, with an after-sound of u; cf. A. S. āc, E. oak. M. E. long open \tilde{o} also resulted from vowel-lengthening, as in A, S. hol, M. E. hool, E. hole. The A. S. ō passed into M. E. close o, and is now \bar{u} (uu); cf. A. S. $t\bar{o}$, E. to. The A. F. \bar{o} had the open sound, and therefore has likewise produced the mod. E. close ō, with an after-sound of u, as in robe (rao bə), E. robe (roub). See also ex. 41, in § 94. The mod. E. sound of \bar{u} (uu) can only result from A.F. by the lengthening of a short o, as in A. F. fol, E. fool (fuul).
- (7) The A. S. and A. F. short u (u) were the same, and were similarly treated; see examples 23-26 in §§ 94, 95. The A. S. long \bar{u} (uu) is very seldom preserved, as in $r\bar{u}m$, room, $unc\bar{u}\bar{v}$, uncouth; it usually becomes ou, ow (au), as in $h\bar{u}s$, house (haus); see exx. 28, 40, in § 95. The A. F. long \bar{u} , from various sources, was commonly written ou (as in early A. F. hon $\bar{u}r$, later honour), and in accented syllables likewise becomes ou, ow (au); see § 94, ex. 40. On the other hand, the A. F. symbol u, when representing a long sound, really stood for (yy), the sound in G. grün (gryyn); but this (yy) passed into (iuu) in course of time, so that A. F. cure (kyyrə) is now cure (kiuuə). But after r (and sometimes after l) the short l-sound dropped, giving simple (uu); as in A. F. plume (plyy·mə), E. plume (pluum). The A. S. \bar{y} (yy) was early identified with long l (ii), and is now (ai).
- (8) The diphthongs can be understood from the examples in §§ 94, 95. We may note the confusion between M.E. ai

and ei (see above); the passage of A. F. aise, later eise, into M. E. eise, eese, and lastly, in E. ease (iiz), with which cf. A. F. plait, E. plea (plii); and the entire absence of the symbols ai, ay, au, ei, ey, eu, ie, oi, oy, ou, from A. S. spelling, though we find aw (as in cnāwan), ow (as in blowan), and even eaw, eow (as in dearw, treow). Words of A. F. origin prefer the spelling au to aw, as in fraud, cause, etc.; exceptions being bawd, brawn, lawn. Most noteworthy is the peculiarly A. F. sound or, preserved nearly unchanged in E. (but not in F.) to the present day. I know of no example of it in any word of true A. S. origin, except the remarkable sb. boil, in the sense of 'tumour,' where the A.S. byle proves that the correct development of the word is into the mod. E. bile, now considered a vulgar pronunciation. It seems to have been confused, in popular estimation, with the verb to boil (A.F. boillir), with which it has nothing to do, unless the two words happen to be, ultimately, from the same root. Hov and tov. and either all or a part of decoy, are loan words from Dutch: whilst boy, not found before 1300, is a Frisian form.

§ 97. Symbols for the close and open e and o. This is a convenient place for noting the symbols employed by Ten Brink for the close and open e and o. He uses (e) and (o) for the close sounds, and (e) and (o) for the open sounds. Schwan uses (e) and (o) for the close sounds, and (e) and (o) for the open ones; which is even more distinct. Others, again, use (é) and (ó) for the close sounds, and (è) and (ò) for the open ones. I have used (e) and (o) above for the short vowels, because they are not likely to be misunderstood; still it should be remembered that these vowels are really open. This is seen in the case of e, by prolonging the sound of e in bed, when it is heard to be more nearly related to the e in there than to the e in vein; whilst the prolonged sound of o in not approaches the au in naught and the o in story, and is quite distinct from the close o which begins the diphthongal o in no (nou).

As regards the long e and o, the open sounds have been denoted hitherto by the symbols (ae) and (ao), as in Mary, story (Maeri, staori). The close sounds hardly now exist as pure vowels, but form the chief elements of the diphthongs ei and o as heard in vein (vein) and no (nou). In the word note the (u) element is very slight, and the close o is nearly pure. With Ten Brink's notation, we should write (bed) and (not) to denote the short open vowels in bed and not; and we should write Mary, story as (Meri, stori). Both the close and open e occur in tell-tale (telteil) and in mare's-tail (mee-e-e-e-e-e); and the two e's occur in tollow (holou) and torego (foee-e-e).

It is worth while to repeat here that the long open e and owere usually written as ea and oa respectively in Elizabethan English. Also, that the M. E. long open e answers to A. S. $\bar{\alpha}$, $\bar{e}a$, as in $h\bar{\alpha}lan$, to heal (hiil), and $dr\bar{e}am$, a dream (driim). In words of A.F. origin it is not common, but chiefly occurs in contractions, such as $ve\ddot{e}l = v\tilde{e}l$, veal (viil); and in ee from earlier ei, as in eise, eese, M. E. ēse, mod. E. ease (iiz). M. E. long close e answers to A. S. ē, ēo, A. F. ē, as in mē, me, sēo, I see, degree, degree (mii, sii, digrii). Thus the distinction is now, in many cases, quite lost; though we still make a difference between there (thaeə, theə) from A.S. þær, and here (hiiə) from A. S. hēr. The M. E. long open o answers (as above) to A. S. \bar{a} , A. F. \bar{o} , but is now close; as in $\bar{a}c$, oak (ouk), $r\bar{o}be$, robe (roub). The M. E. long close o answers to A. S. \bar{o} or A. F. short o lengthened, and is now (uu); as in $t\bar{o}$, to (tuu); fol, fool (funl).

§ 98. I shall also here take the opportunity of reminding the reader of the extremely powerful argument which the A. F. forms afford, in proof of the fact that our E. vowelsounds have undergone most violent alterations, and are now represented by most inappropriate symbols. It amounts, in fact, to a mathematical demonstration, and is appreciable by all who have the most moderate knowledge of French, even

though they should have no belief in the values attached by scholars to the symbols employed in Anglo-Saxon.

The four words fame, degree, vice, doubt are quite sufficient to demonstrate that the sounds which we now call (ei, ii, ai, au) as in (feim, digrii, vais, daut) are denoted by symbols which must, at least as late as the fourteenth century, when A.F. was still spoken, have had totally different sounds, viz. (aa, ee, ii, uu). For these very words are preserved in late French in the forms fame (obsolete), degré, vice, doute (faam, degree, viis, duut); and these pronunciations may be relied upon, unless it can be shown, on the contrary, that it is the pronunciation of French, and not of English, that has changed. This view is not tenable, because there are other Romance languages besides French to appeal to. Thus we have Ital., Span., and Port. fama (faama); Ital. vizio (viitsio). Span. vicio (viithio), Port. vicio (viisio); Ital. dubbio (dubbio), Span. duda (duudha), Port. duvida (duuvida); and, on comparing these with Lat. fama, uitium, and the verb dubitare (remembering at the same time that all these languages are written with Latin symbols), it becomes impossible to believe that the A. F. fame was ever pronounced as (feima), or vice as (vaisə), or doute, also written dute, as (dauta). As to degree, the Ital. and Span. grado, Lat. gradus, prove indeed a change of sound in the A.F. word, but only through one variation, that of (a) to (e), not through two, viz. from (a) to (e), and again from (e) to (i). Besides, there are plenty of words to prove that the value of F. e was certainly not (i) or (ii); thus the F. règle is the same word as Ital. regola (reegola), Span. regla (reegla), Port. regra (reegra); all from Lat. regula. This argument needs no further pressing, as the accumulative evidence from thousands of words in the various Romance languages must be overwhelming except to those who still maintain and believe that the Latin symbols a, e, i, u (not to mention o), were, in the time of Augustus, pronounced precisely as in modern English, and that the said sounds have been preserved in English only. To those who are willing to admit that such a belief is monstrous, I have only two questions to ask, viz. is it moral to insist that schoolboys shall continue to be trained and taught to pronounce Latin with the modern English sounds? And is it consistent with even common fairness to stigmatise the sounding of \bar{a} as (aa) by the stupid appellation of 'the NEW pronunciation'? I conceive it to be the simple and bounden duty of every schoolmaster who still prefers to pronounce Latin as if it were English, at the very least to allow his boys to know that such a device is a makeshift. My experience is, on the contrary, that this fact is commonly suppressed, in the hope that the boys will not find it out till after they have left school; the present inaccurate pronunciation being due to a carelessness that declines to investigate the facts. And all this is done, to save the masters from having to understand the phonetics of a language which they undertake to teach.

I do not press the same argument as regards Greek, because the pronunciation of it is more obscure, and does not directly bear upon the teaching of the Romance languages and of English. The boy who has been allowed (as I was not) to know that the modern English symbols are in no way equivalent in value to the same as used in Latin, will easily guess for himself that they can be no safe guide to Greek; and to know this is to know much more than is at all common. 'What a noble language is Greek!' says the rightly enthusiastic Englishman; and at once proceeds to declaim Homer in a way that no Greek, of any province or period, could possibly comprehend.

§ 99. When once it is granted that the sounds of the A. F. and M. E. vowels were fairly well represented by the Latin symbols, employed to represent the old Latin pronunciation, it becomes easy to believe that the same is true of Anglo-Saxon, and that it is the modern E. that has changed. This has been sufficiently shown in vol. i, § 51, where the

following examples are given, viz. L. pāpa, A. S. pāpa, E. pope; L. bēta, A. S. bēte, E. beet; L. scrīnium, A. S. scrīn, E. shrine; L. nona, A.S. non, E. noon; L. mulus, A.S. mul. The last of these would have given us an E. moul, but the form mule, borrowed from O. F. mule, has replaced it. These are all long vowels; but they involve the most violent of the modern E. changes, and are therefore sufficient to be quoted here.

It is worth noting, further, that the changes of the vowelsounds in English can be proved independently of all the above considerations, by the evidence of the rimes found in our poets; and yet again, independently, by observation of some changes of form. We know, e. g., that the names Price and Rice were once spelt Preece and Reece, because the latter forms also occur, and because the Welsh Rhys. pronounced as Reece (Riis), still exists. Again, the fish called a dace (deis) was formerly called a darce (L. C. 279), and the r is radical; so that dace was once (daas). The verb to gash was once (gaash); this we know from the fact that it was once spelt garsh (garsh). No other explanations are possible.

CHAPTER VIII.

WORDS OF CENTRAL FRENCH ORIGIN.

§ 100. In Chapters VI and VII I have endeavoured to treat of the words that seem to have come to us through the medium of Anglo-French, words that were either brought in with the Conquest, or were modified from such words, or were used in particular by Anglo-French writers. Of course such words frequently agree in form with such as are used on the Continent, or they may have been actually imported thence; we cannot say, in some cases, that the F. words are necessarily Anglo-French in form. Owing to our communications with the Continent, foreign French terms were continually brought over, but I do not think they were very numerous or important till the fourteenth century; and I think that a very large proportion of the words which I have already cited as being specifically Anglo-French are really such as I have assumed them to be, and belong, as a rule, to the dialect of Normandy or Northern French, though doubtless many of them assumed forms due to the peculiar development which that dialect underwent in England. The words that were specifically imported from the French of France seem to have come to us mostly from that dialect of French which was spoken in the neighbourhood of Paris, and I shall call this dialect, for convenience, by the name of Central French; it being understood that when the word 'French' is used alone, the same dialect is intended, as it has become the literary language.

I must, however, caution the reader that it is possible that, among the words cited as Central French, I may sometimes

include a few that do not really belong to it, but rather to some other dialect. I do not possess sufficient knowledge to be always sure upon this point, especially as the *history* of a large number of words is, as yet, imperfectly recorded. As the New English Dictionary advances, we learn, for the first time, many new facts as to the history and chronology of words, which will modify, in some cases, the results here given. In the absence of sufficient evidence, I have to do the best I can.

§ 101. A glance at such books as the Liber Albus, or the Liber Custumarum, will often prove instructive. We there frequently find notices of imports, some of which bear very curious names, and are, occasionally, words drawn from the far East, and not of European origin at all. And I here beg leave to make a note, by the way, that it is sometimes extremely surprising to find that a word which has all the appearance of being French, is merely English (Anglo-Saxon) in disguise; and we must beware of looking to the far East for the origin of words such as these. If this remark seems inappropriate to the present subject, my excuse is, that it is forced upon my notice by a certain passage in the Liber Albus to which I wish to refer, viz. that on pp. 223, 224, in the chapter headed 'De Scawanga.' Scawanga is the Latinised form of a word which, in A.F., was turned into scavage, the form under which it is given, for example, in Blount's Nomolexicon. The word, however, which gave rise to scawanga is no other than the A.S. sceawung, whence the modern E. showing; and the scavage was, in fact, a showage, a displaying of merchandise; or, as the passage referred to expresses it:-- 'Et fait assavoir qe Scawenge est dit come demonstraunce, pur ceo qe y covient qe marchauntz demonstrent as viscountz marchaundises des queux deit estre pris custume, einz ge riens de ceo soit vendue; 'i.e. 'and take notice that Scawenge (showing) has the same sense as demonstrance (showing), because it is fit that merchants show the sheriffs the wares of which custom should be taken, before that any part of them be sold.' The officers who inspected the merchants' goods were, accordingly, called Scavegeours, to use the very spelling of the Liber Albus, at p. 38, where they are ranked with the Constables, Ale-conners, and Beadles, and other officers. At p. 313 of the same, the spelling is Scawageours (showing that the v was once w); and we there learn a new fact about these officers, viz. that one of their special duties was to see that the streets and lanes were kept clean, by the removal of all filth and dirt; and this duty was of such importance that the modern form of the word, viz. scavenger, implies nothing else. (For the insertion of the n, compare messenger, passenger, for messager, passager, etc.) But for the clear and certain history of the word, we should hardly guess that the name of scavenger was derived from A. S. sceáwian, to show. Such was one of the curious effects of the Norman Conquest.

§ 102. To resume. The same passage goes on to explain that, after the 'showage' of goods, custom or toll (in fact, import-duty) was to be paid for them according to the karke or load; and that the karke of most goods was 4 centaines (hundred weight); but the karke of grain was only 3 cwt., whilst that of pepper was $3\frac{1}{2}$ cwt. I well remember how, on first coming across this passage, I at once perceived the previously unknown fact, that our modern E. cark is nothing but this very same word; and that, moreover, karke is merely the Northern F. form of the common F. charge, and means neither more or less than 'load' or 'burden,' as fully explained in the Supplement to the second edition of my Dictionary 2.

¹ Mr. Riley supposes that these enactments are as early as the time of Edward I. The date of the MS. is about 1420, but it is copied from earlier authorities.

² Dr. Murray has adopted this view; see the New Eng. Dict. I ought to say that the word *karke* is also spelt *charge* on the same page of the MS.

It is well used in the sense of 'charge' or 'responsibility,' in the Tale of Gamelyn, l. 760:—

'Now I see that al the *cark* schal fallen on myn heed [head].'

Then follows an interesting list of imports, which is worthyof a full description. A 'karke' of grain is to be charged half a mark (6s. 8d.) for duty [because of its great value]; for a 'karke de alom,' i.e. alum, is to be paid 16d.; and then follows a long list of articles on which the duty per 'karke' was 12d. These include:—'peivere, zucre, comyn, alemaundes, brasille, argent vif, gingivre, cetewale, lycorys, lak, spicerie, vermiloun, glasce, figes, reysins, symak, soufre, vyoire, canelle, ensens, pyoine, anys, dates, chestaine, orpyment, oille dolive, gingebred, rys, tirmounte¹, cotounn, baleyne.' I. e. 'pepper, sugar, cummin, almonds, brazil, quicksilver, ginger, zedoary, liquorice, lake [fine linen], spices, vermilion, glass, figs, raisins, sumach, sulphur, ivory, canelle [cinnamon], incense, pæony 2, anise, dates, chestnuts, orpiment, olive oil, gingerbread, rice, turpentine, cotton. whalebone.' Just below, there is a mention of saffran, i. e. saffron. Again, on p. 225 is another list, in which the articles are: - mercerie, leyne despayne, wadmal, canevas, draps, genetre, conyng, forure, peletrie, lienge teile, fustain, feutre, lymere, pyles, coreis, hapertas, crute texture et autres choses veignaunt de Linoges, esquireus despaigne, parmentrye, chalouns et draps du Reyns, draps de soy.' I. e. ' mercery, Spanish wool, wadmal, canvas, cloths, genet-skins, coney-skins, fur-trimmings, peltry, linen cloth, fustian, felt, a kind of serge (F. limestre), piles (cloth with a pile or nap), thongs (courroles?), hapertas, raw textures and other things

^{&#}x27;Riley prints cirmounte, making the usual mistake of confounding ϵ with t. But he notes that the translation in Arnold's Chronicle (1502) has termenteyne; cf. Portuguese termentina, turpentine.

² M. E. *pyoine*, pæony-seeds; in one MS. of P. Plowman, B. v. 312; see my note on the passage. They were used as a sort of spice.

coming from Limoges, squirrel-skins from Spain, parmentry (tailors' cloth, O. F. parementerie), shalloons and cloths of Rheims, cloths of silk.' In the very next chapter, we find names of other commodities, such as: 'cordewane, baseyne, cire, argoil, quivere, estein, grys overe,' i.e. 'Cordovan leather, basil (prepared sheep-skin), wax, argol (tartar found in wine-casks), copper, tin, gris-work (gris being the fur of the grey squirrel).'

§ 103. No doubt some of the above words belong really to the old Anglo-French; thus peivere (pepper) shows the characteristic ei in place of F. oi in poivre. Argent (silver) had long been used as a term in heraldry. Encens, incense, and oille, oil, both occur in the Life of Edward the Confessor, and are old ecclesiastical terms. The latter part of 'gingebred' is native English. But it can hardly be doubted that many of the words are really foreign, and some, perhaps, occur in this passage, as far as England is concerned, for the first time. Karke is not an A. F. form, nor even Central French, but a distinctive Picard form, showing that the goods came by way of Picardy, i.e. from Calais. Zucre, sugar, and gingivre, ginger, are words of Sanskrit origin; comyn, cummin, is really Hebrew; almond is ultimately Greek, and so are liquorice, peony, anise, chest(nut), oil, olive, turpentine, canvas, squirrel, copper (from Cyprus). Some of the words are Arabic; such as sumach, cotton, saffron, genet, basil (leather). Brasil, canelle (cinnamon), dates, rice, are probably of Eastern origin; whilst fustian is Egyptian. Cetewale is a curious perversion of zedoary, which is Persian.

We may hence conclude that many entirely foreign terms came to us, in the thirteenth and fourteenth centuries, by way of France, and in French (probably Central French) forms; long voyages by sea being attended with difficulty, and even danger, at that period. By way of illustration, we may compare many of the above words with their representatives in Modern French. For this purpose I may cite

F. sucre, amande (which becomes al-amande by prefixing the Arabic def. article al), brésil (Littré; but our word is the Span, brasil, for which see brazil in Murray's Dictionary), gingembre, épicerie, vermillon, figues, raisins (grapes), sumac, soufre, ivoire, cannelle, encens, pivoine, anis, dattes, châtaigne, orpiment, olive, riz, coton, baleine; and further, safran. mercerie, laine d'Espagne, canevas, draps, genette (a genet), fourrure, pelleterie, linge, toile (note the A. F. ei in the form teile), futaine (s lost), feutre, limestre (obsolete), courroies (?), écureuil (note the A. F. es and qui), chalon (Littré); also, basane, cire, cuivre, étain, gris (gray). Cetewale occurs in Chaucer's Sir Topas (B. 1951) in company with lycoris; it answers to the O.F. citoal, citoual, from Pers. zadwár, jadwár, zedoary; whilst lycorys is an older form than the liquerice in Cotgrave's F. Dict., and much nearer to the original Greek γλυκύρριζα than is the F. réglisse. Lake (fine linen) also occurs in Chaucer's Sir Topas (B. 2048), but the word is really Dutch; from Du. laken, cloth, etc. Wadmal is Icelandic; Icel. vadmál, a plain woollen stuff. Hapertas is the name of the stuff which has given rise to our haberdasher; its origin is obscure. Shalloon is really a place-name, from Chalons, east of Paris; and we may note here (1) the Central F. ch (sh), as distinct from the A.F. ch (ch); and (2) the suffix -oon for F. -ons, -on, of which we have many other examples. Before leaving this list, I will just note, with reference to parmentrie, that Cotgrave gives parmentier in the sense of 'tailor,' which is clearly the origin of the proper names Parmenter, Parminter, and Parmiter. The etymology is from O.F. parement, Low Lat. paramentum, ornament, apparel; from Lat. parare.

§ 104. All the above words have been gathered from a single, but comprehensive, passage in the Liber Albus. Many more of the same character could be adduced from this book, from the Liber Custumarum, and from other books of a like character; but it is sufficient to point out the

nature of the words that may be gleaned from such sources. We have already noticed that the spellings of many of them do not materially differ from their French equivalents, and may thus be easily found in Littré, or in Cotgrave's French Dictionary, a book of great value for the present purpose.

After all, the number of Central French words thus imported, as the names of foreign products, is not very large, though they form a very interesting class. We have next to consider a much larger class of words of the same origin, that were borrowed directly from the Central French literature. Here again it is often impossible to separate these words from Anglo-French, as that dialect was continually being reinforced by words borrowed from abroad, especially when the literature of France became more and more known and studied in England. At first we find that many Early English poems were more or less translated or imitated from older poems in Anglo-French; such is the case, for example, with the Lay of Havelok, borrowed from the A. F. Lai d'Havelock, by Geoffrey Gaimar, edited by T. Wright for the Caxton Society in 1850, as an Appendix to Gaimar's Metrical Chronicle. So also, The Lay of Horn is from the A. F. version of Horn, of which a good edition is that by Brede and Stengel, published at Marburg in 1883. Robert of Brunne's Chronicle is a translation from the A. F. Chronicle by Piers de Langtoft. The English poem called The Castel of Love (ed. Weymouth) is translated from the A.F. poem by Robert Grosseteste, entitled Chasteau d'Amour (ed. Cooke, Caxton Soc., 1852). There are likewise A.F. originals of Robert of Brunne's Handlyng Synne, and of several romances, such as those of Guy of Warwick and Bevis of Hampton. But attention was gradually directed to continental French literature, though it is not easy to say how soon, or, in the earlier period, to what extent. Layamon's Brut is imitated from the Brut of Wace, which was written, not in Anglo-French, but in the closely-allied dialect

of Normandy itself. The Avenbite of Inwyt, written by Dan Michel of Northgate in 1340, is chiefly taken from La Somme des Vices et des Vertus by a Dominican friar named Lorens, who is said to have written the same in 1279 for the use of Philip III of France; and a considerable portion of the Persones Tale is imitated from the same source. About 1350-0, William of Palerne was translated from a version written 'en Roumans,' i.e. in continental French, for the Countess Yolande, daughter of Baldwin IV of Hainault. The subject-matter of Sir Gawayne and the Green Knight is largely borrowed from the Perceval, or Conte del Graal, of Crestien of Troyes; see Ten Brink, Eng. Lit. bk. iv. § 2. When we come to Chaucer, we recognise in him one who was a great student of the poetry of France, and well acquainted with the writings of Guillaume de Machault, Jean de Froissart, and others; and we have it on his own authority that he translated the Roman de la Rose, a poem with which his extant works display great familiarity, though there is no reason to suppose that either of the existing fragments of the English version of that poem (both preserved in the same MS. at Glasgow) form any part of his translation. It is interesting to remember that he drew upon Anglo-French materials also; since his Man of Lawes Tale is taken from the A.F. Chronicle of Nicholas Trivet. And thus it had come to pass, by the middle of the fourteenth century, when England was (as Ten Brink remarks) no longer a truly bilingual country, that the English language was deeply interpenetrated by an admixture with Central French. It is idle, in fact ridiculous, to speak of Chaucer as specially 'introducing' French words into English; he merely employed, with great skill and with plastic effect, a language which was common to himself and his contemporaries; indeed, as Marsh well remarks, the percentage of French words found in Langland's Piers the Plowman is slightly greater than that found in the Canterbury Tales. Whenever

he was so ill-advised as to bring in words that were not really current, such as *corniculere*, or *vitremyte*, or *radevore*, he was probably quite as unintelligible then as he is now.

§ 105. A careful analysis of the sources of Chaucer's language would probably be profitable, but it would certainly be difficult and tedious. Taking, by way of example, the first 42 lines of his celebrated Prologue, I find there 303 words, of which 263 (or all but 40) are native English, showing a percentage of foreign words of about 13 per cent. This is very near the estimate given by Marsh, who makes the proportion of foreign words in the whole of the Prologue, to be about 12 per cent. Among the foreign words are martir, which had already been borrowed in A. S. times (vol. i. § 401, p. 439). Zephirus looks like a Latin form; but, in fact, it was borrowed from the F. Roman de la Rose, l. 8449; see my edition of Chaucer's Minor Poems, p. 249. The other foreign words are all A. F. or F., viz. Aprille, Marche, perced, veyne, licour, vertue, engendred, flour, inspired, tendre, cours, melodye, nature, corages (also corage), pilgrimages (also pilgrimage), palmers, straunge, specially, sesoun, Tabard, devout, hostelrye, companye, aventure, pilgrims, chambres, stables, esed (with E. suffix), devyse, space, pace, acordaunt, resoun, condicioun, degree, array.

When we look at these words a little more closely, we shall find that much the larger portion of them is Anglo-French, and can be found even in my two imperfect lists ¹. I cannot agree with the remark in Marsh's Origin and History of the English Language, lect. ix., that 'Chaucer did not introduce into the English language words which it had rejected as aliens before, but out of those which had been already received, he invested the better portion with the

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¹ The chief exceptions are *licour*, inspired, tabard, pilgrims, stables, all probably true A. F. words, except the learned word inspired, which may have been taken from the Vulgate version of Gen. ii. 7; and except (perhaps) pilgrim, which I take to be Italian.

rights of citizenship, and stamped them with the mint-mark of English coinage.' There is, of course, a substratum of truth in this, but it is altogether a great exaggeration; the English people had already made up their minds as to many of the words, and they could not be always reading Chaucer's poetry in order to learn how to use familiar prose. mistake is partly due to the date which Marsh gives iust above for the intermixture of the Anglo-French words with native English: this he puts at the middle of the fourteenth century, which is much too late. A simple statement of facts will help to show where the fallacies lie. If we look at the list of 'French' words given in Morris's English Grammar as occurring in King Alisaunder, a poem written about 1300 (certainly not much later), we find in it these words following, viz. perced, vevn, flour, cours, nature, corage, pilgrimage, palmer, special, sevsoun, aventure, chambre, stable, ese (ease), devise. Even a century earlier, we already find in the Ancren Riwle, written not long after 1200, such words as flur (flower), speciale, aventure, chaumbre, eise (ease), together with licur 1, vertu2, tendre3, devot, pilgrimes, passen, reisun, degre, not noticed in the last list. The verb acorden, to agree, appears even in the A.S. Chronicle under the date 1120, and the very form acordaunt is in Shoreham's Poems, p. 89 (ab. 1315). Strange is in Robert of Gloucester, l. 379 (about A. D. 1300); melodye in St. Christopher, l. 18 (about 1300); space in The Assumption of our Lady, l. 178 (before 1300). Aray, sb. is in William of Palerne, written not later than 1359. Again, we may note how many of the words under discussion occur in Piers Plowman, which certainly contains Aprille, percen, licour, vertu, engendred, flour, cours, pilgrimages, palmers, sesoun, tabard, pilgrimage, devout, companye, aventures,

¹ Not in Morris's list; but it occurs in Anc. Riw. p. 164, l. 13.

² Not in Morris's list; but see A. R. p. 268, last line.

³ Not in Morris's list; see A. R. p. 112, l. 11, etc. (several times). Neither does Morris give degre (below); see A. R. p. 288, l. 5.

pilgrims, chambres, ese, devyse, space, passe, resoun, degree, aray; and perhaps some others, for my Glossary is not exhaustive as to the words occurring in the poem. Condicion is in Hampole's Prick of Conscience, l. 3955. Companie is the last word in the early poem called The Proverbs of Alfred (Text II.).

§ 106. The above notes are merely such as I could collect in a brief time, from imperfect materials; but I think they are quite enough to show that Chaucer, in general, merely employed words which were already in common use; and indeed, I take it that Marsh's words, above quoted, imply as much. There seems, then, to be small ground for the reservation, to him alone, of the peculiar privilege 'to invest' such words 'with the rights of citizenship,' or 'to stamp them with the mint-mark of English coinage.' We may be sure that the works of such writers as Robert of Gloucester. Robert of Brunne, Richard Rolle de Hampole, and William Langland (not to mention the most influential of all, viz. John Wyclif, Nicholas de Hereford, and John Purvey, authors of the famous early translation of the Bible), had a considerable influence in their time; and there is absolutely no reason for robbing them of all merit. I look upon Chaucer's ordinary language as evidence of the results that had been already achieved rather than as originating, or even settling, a new phase of English. His greatest influence was exercised upon Hoccleve, Lydgate, and the Scottish poets of the fifteenth century; but their most remarkable imitations of his language appear in their adoption of expressions which were of weak vitality, and have, in several instances, become obsolete. His influence, in fact, was greatest in the realm of poetry, whereas the most vital part of our language is often sadly prosaic 1. I do not mean to say that Chaucer's

¹ 'By a transition which marks the wonderful genius of the man [Wyclif], the schoolman was transformed into the pamphleteer. If Chaucer is the father of our later English poetry, Wyclif is the father of

influence was not both considerable and beneficial; but I regard it as altogether a mistake to ascribe to him such a dictatorial or authoritative power as he neither aimed at nor attained.

§ 107. I hope the discussion in the two last sections (§§ 105, 106) is not altogether irrelevant, though it helps little towards the solution of the question, as to the introduction into English of Central French forms. It is very difficult to estimate aright the exact amount of influence which is exerted upon a language by the authors who employ it; especially when we are treating of a time when printing was not yet invented, and books were both expensive and scarce. I think there is always a danger of exaggerating such influence; for, after all, most writers desire to be, in the main, intelligible; and, in order to do this, must often pause before they employ a word which they feel will not be understood. When we find Chaucer, Hoccleve, Lydgate, and others, employing words which seem to belong rather to Central French than to the old Anglo-French stock, we may well believe that they presupposed that those for whom they wrote had some greater or less knowledge of the French of the Continent, both because many of them had learnt something of it as being likely to prove a useful accomplishment, and had perhaps actually crossed the Channel at least once in their lives; and because the commercial relations between the two countries were frequent and intimate. The English still held, more or less securely, a considerable portion of France, so that the presence of English officers and soldiers was constantly required there. When Chaucer's 'Shipman,' who knew every haven, from Gothland to Finisterre, and every creek in Britain and Spain, so often drew a draught of wine

our later English prose.'—Green, *Hist. of the Eng. People.* ch. v. § 3. This is another of those statements that are meant rather to adorn a paragraph than to be taken in the literal sense. All such hasty talk requires to be largely discounted.

'from Bourdeaux-ward,' he merely removed it from one part of the English dominions to the other. In those days of restricted voyages, our commerce with France was unusually large as compared with that from other countries. Hence it is that, in the wise book entitled 'The Libell of English Policye,' written in 1436, the author shows the immense importance to the English of controlling 'the narowe see,' meaning the English Channel, and records the sagacious advice of the Emperor Sigismund to Henry V, to keep the two English towns of Dover and Calais as his 'twein eyen' (two eyes). Thus the influence of Central French upon English was not due merely to its literature, at that time the leading one of Europe, but also to the intimate political and commercial relationships between the two countries. presence of Frenchmen at the court of Richard II is strikingly illustrated by the 'Chronicque de la Traison et Mort de Richard II,'1 which is the fullest record of the king's last days. The 'Recueil de Croniques' by Jehan de Wavrin, temp. Edward IV, is written, of course, in Central French; as Anglo-French was, by that time, a dead language, except among law-students.

§ 108. One more remark is necessary here, to guard against another source of misapprehension. During the whole of our earlier history until, at least, the Tudor period, our language never ceased to be strongly influenced by Latin, the language of the Church. The familiarity of educated persons with the Vulgate version of the Bible, especially throughout the Psalms and Gospels, needs no comment. Owing to this, it has constantly happened that words having a French form and aspect were really adopted from Latin directly, and were then conformed to others of a like character by the operation of analogy. Such a process was perfectly easy. When we had already borrowed charity,

¹ Ed. B. Williams, London, 1846 (Eng. Historical Society).

quality, quantity, and many more, from Anglo-French, we knew precisely what to do with a Latin word in -itas, when required for immediate use. Thus the Lat. pugnacitas readily supplied us with pugnacity, which occurs in Minsheu (1627); it does not in the least follow that it was preceded by a F. pugnacité. On the contrary, it is a curious fact that the F. word is, in this case, actually borrowed from English, if we may trust Littré's Dictionary. His quotation for it is dated 1863, and has reference 'aux instincts de pugnacité de la race anglaise.' We naturally wanted the word, and acquired it by the nearest way. This example is sufficient. language swarms with words of Latin origin in a French dress, that were never French at all; but, for the purposes of etymology, it is usually best to treat them as of F. origin, and I shall not hesitate to class them as if they really were so. It will cause no difficulty nor ambiguity, now that the caution has been given, and the method has been duly exemplified 1.

§ 109. After the above digression, I return to the main question, viz. what words of Central French origin do we find in Chaucer? I must now admit that this is a question which I cannot definitely answer. The investigation in § 105 has cleared the way. Out of the first forty F. words in Chaucer's Prologue, there is no clear proof that any of them are such; most of them are words which had been previously incorporated into English. Yet that some words borrowed from the Continent may be found in his works, I have no doubt; amongst them will probably be found several words which his 'mint-mark of English coinage' (§ 105) entirely failed to render current. In his ABC, he borrows desperacioun (21), misericorde (25), governeresse (141), etc., from the F. original; yet, even among these, misericorde had already appeared in

¹ By way of another example, take ancille in Chaucer's ABC, l. 109, plainly borrowed from Lat. ancilla, Lu. i. 38. The correct O. F. form was ancele.

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the Ancren Riwle, p. 30. In the House of Fame, he has foudre, l. 535, from Machault; cornemuse, 1218, from the same; lapidaire, 1352, the name of a treatise on precious stones. He seems to be the only author who has used such words as golee, Parl. Foules, 556; chevauchee, Mars, 144; vache, Truth, 22; corbet, Ho. Fame, 1304; but these words are of little value, having disappeared. However, the mod. E. corbel answers to the last of these. Perhaps we may credit him with the introduction of some of his terms of metrical art, such as balade, a ballad: cadence: ditee, a ditty: envoy: poetrie; refrein, a refrain; roundel; virelay. Not to mention words now obsolete, perhaps he was the first, or among the first, to use the words advertence 1, agonie, alabastre, alambic = alembic (F. from Arab.), amalgam, ambassiatour, i.e. ambassador, annex, apotecarie, ascendent, boras, borax (F. from Arab.); captif, captive (O. F. captif, as distinct from A. F. caitif, whence E. caitiff), casuel, citrine, complexion, composicion, conserve, conservatif, constellacion, cordial, dissimulacion, dominacion, ducat, duracion, existence, exorcisacioun, fantastike, fumigacioun, fustian, herce (E. hearse), ymagerie (E. imagery), etc. See § 110. Here again, it is hardly possible to be sure that none of these were ever current in A. F.; thus herce appears in the Royal Wills, ed. Nichols, p. 45 (A.D. 1361).

I may here remark that, whilst it is clear that Chaucer was intimate with Italian literature, there is not, as far as I am aware, a single instance in which he has introduced an Italian word. He comes very near it in one instance, when he introduces the word armipotent in the Knightes Tale, l. 1124; for the original passage of Boccaccio's Teseide (vii. 32), which he had before him, has armipotente; but he could

¹ For references, see the New E. Dictionary, or the glossaries to the selections in the Clarendon Press, and that in Moxon's edition; also Cromie's Ryme-index.

² Pilgrim, if Italian, is at any rate far older than Chaucer's time.

easily have excused himself by the plea that the word was really Latin, as the corresponding passage in Statius (*Theb.* vii. 78) has *armipotens*.

§ 110. It is also worth while to note that F. words may be divided into two classes, viz. popular and learned. To the former class belong some of the commonest and oldest words of A.F. origin, such as peace, treasure, prison, justice, rent, standard, empress, countess, tower, court, all of which occur in the A.S. Chronicle, before A.D. 1160. To the latter class belong a large number of words which are mere Latin in a French dress, such as privilege, procession, also in the A.S. Chronicle; and, since the A. F. and Central F. forms are alike, and the A.F. form is frequently not to be found, it is just as well to class them with the Central French forms. Chaucer has several words of this class, such as antartik, conservatif, constellacion, dissimulacion (H. F. 687), examinen, fructifye (to Scogan, 48), imaginacion (C. T. 1094), impression (H. F. 39), inquisitif (C. T. 3163), interrogacion (C. T. 3194), licenciat (C. T. Prol.), logike, magike, magnificence, martial (T. iv. 1669), misconstrue (T. i. 346), moralitee (C. T. 3180), multiplicacion (H. F. 784), mutabilitee (T. i. 851), oracle, palpable, permutacion (T. v. 1554), persuasion (H. F. 872), philosophical (T. v. 1869), presumpcion (H. F. 94), protestacion (T. ii. 484), reprehende (T. i. 510), reparacion (H. F. 688), revelacion (H. F. 8), revolucioun (Mars, 30), Saturnine (H. F. 1432), similitude (C. T. 3228), superfluitee, transitorie (T. iii. 827), tribulacion (C. T. 5738), triumphe (Anelida, 43), urne (T. v. 311), volume (C. T. 4480), vulgar. We may also class as Central French such words as alambic (T. iv. 520), and most of the other words mentioned above, in § 109; to which we may add astrolabie, clarioun, cormeraunt (P. Foules, 362), crevace (crevice, H. F. 2086), curiositee (Venus, 81), diademe, fantome (phantom), fantasye (H. F. 593), fugitif (H. F. 146), gaud, geometrie, hemisperie (T. iii. 1439), licoris (C. T. 3207) magicien (H. F.

1260), narcotike (C. T. 1474), portraiture (B. Duch. 626), satin (B. Duch. 253), etc. Our primrose is an altered form, due to popular etymology, of Chaucer's primerole (C. T. 3268), which he found in Le Roman de la Rose, 3264. Renegade answers to his renegat (C. T. 5353), which is mere Latin. Cinnamon is his sinamome (C. T. 3699), which is from cinnamomum in the Vulgate version, Exod. xxx. 23. Perhaps these examples may suffice.

§ 111. I have no space to discuss here the various Central French words in such works as the Ayenbite of Inwyt, Piers the Plowman, Mandeville's Travels, and the rest; though much is doubtless to be learnt from such investigation. I will merely note here a few remarkable words that occur in Mandeville, as edited by Halliwell. Such are: amber, p. 197; aromatyk, 174; cane, 190; mace (spice), 187; mastyk, 21; morteys (mortise), 76; ryzs (rice), 310; scleye (sleigh), 130; turbentine (turpentine), 51.

As we advance into the fifteenth century, the traces of Central French become clearer. Lydgate, for example, translated the Falls of Princes, not from the original of Boccaccio, but from a F. version made by Laurent de Premierfait, an ecclesiastic of the diocese of Troyes; and it can hardly be doubted that a close comparison of the English with the F. version would reveal the introduction into the former of some F. words. for which earlier authority is not forthcoming. But it is more convenient to glance at the edition of his Minor Poems, edited by Halliwell for the Percy Society in 1840. Some of the words which I suppose to be Central French and not much older than Lydgate's time, are these: adulacion, p. 67, ambiguitee, 100, antelope, 6, artificere, 81, avaunt! 35,166; benedictionn, 137, blase, to blason, 203; combine, 61, condigne, 136, cronicle, 124 (older form cronike); damysyn (damson), 15, decepcion, 76, decoccion, 82, demure, 29, dilectable (for delectable), 22, dissent, v., 44, doublet, 53; encoraged, 27; fagot, 92, founderesse, 11, fragilite, 44, fraudulent, 160; garnet, 188; hospitalite, 96; immutable, 25, inclinacion, 91, influence, 9, inspeccioun, 144, interesse, s. (interest), 170, 172; krevys (now turned into crayfish!), 154; lineal, 17; malapert, 23; parcialitee, 120, pechis (peaches), 15, preparatif, 168, preservatif, 91, presumptuous, 175, provision, 22, puisaunce, 25; quinces, 15, quyntencense (error for quyntessence), 51; ravynous (ravenous), 159; serpentyne, adj., 98, subbarbis (suburbs), 4; tankard, 52, tapcery (short for tapissery, now altered to tapestry), 6, tysik (now pedantically spelt phthysic, but pronounced in the old way), 51; velym, from F. velim (now spelt vellum, which is a phonetic spelling), 204.

Of course this list is merely tentative; it is extremely hazardous to attempt to chronicle the first introduction of a word 1. Still, if a majority of the examples are correct, we can see that the supply of Central French words was fairly copious and continual.

§ 112. Passing on to the works of William Caxton, we may well believe that he was one of those who materially assisted in recording, and perhaps in augmenting, the list of Central French words which English, owing to its Anglo-French element, so easily absorbed and turned to good account. In Vol. i. I have already given, at p. 511, an extract from Caxton's translation of Le Recueil des Histoires de Troye, written in French by Raoulle le Fevre in 1464; so that there is no doubt as to his familiarity with Central French. Even in that short extract we may note the use of malenygne in the sense of 'evil design'; and, in the very next line we have leueyed, i. e. levied, which seems to have been introduced just at this time. (In the Supplement to the Second Edition of my Dictionary, I give the earliest example of this verb that I have yet found, dated only four years earlier.) In the

¹ I supposed, at one time, that Lydgate was the first to use *limon* (lemon), orenge (orange), and pomegarnade (pomegranate); all found in his Minor Poems, p. 15. But the first is in Mandeville, Trav. ch. xviii. p. 199; and the others in Early Eng. Allit. Poems (ed. Morris).

extract from the same work, as printed in my Specimens of English, p. 89, we even find other French words that, like malengyne, never took root in our language and are now obsolete. Such are esmayed (with the same sense as dismayed), l. 53; tristes, i. e. sadness, l. 129; esperance, hope, l. 166; fureur, fury, l. 184. I know of no earlier examples than in Caxton of the verb resist, l. 24, and of the sb. playsir, l. 70. The latter was afterwards turned into plesure, probably by form-association with M. E. mesure; and, still later, we find pleasure and measure. He also uses tradicion, l. 65, in the obsolete sense of 'betrayal,' though it occurs with the modern sense in Wyclif's Bible, Col. ii. 8.

§ 113. A very interesting and accessible work by Caxton is his translation of Reynard the Fox, first printed in 1481, and cheaply reprinted by Prof. Arber in his 'English Scholar's Library.' Some years ago Miss Wilkinson (to whom I was much indebted for assistance in preparing my glossary to Chaucer's Man of Lawe, and the much more comprehensive glossary to the Wars of Alexander) compiled for me a list of the French words occurring in the above-named work, which has frequently proved very serviceable. On reading this over, I do not observe many words that strictly belong to the latter half of the fifteenth century. Most of them were in use long before, and very many are of A. F. origin. Still, the following notes upon some of the more remarkable forms may be of interest.

At p. 11, l. 22, we find the sb. aduys, advice; and he also has the verb aduyse, to advise. The M.E. forms are avis, avisen, and Dr. Murray notes that the insertion of d is due to Caxton, who followed the Central French scribes in making this alteration. At p. 43, l. 23, he has agravate as a past participle, but this is a Latinism; he is the first author who uses the word. Bombardes occurs in the sense of 'cannons,' p. 58, l. 9; but Lydgate had used the word before him (Murray); hence our verb to bombard. Other words for

which I suppose Caxton to be an early authority are these: censure, sb., p. 43; checked, in the heraldic sense of 'checky,' i.e. chequered, p. 83, l. 32; cf. Cotgrave's 'Eschequé. checkered, or (as blasoners) checky'; dompte, p. 81, l. 39, borrowed from the F. dompter, but superseded by the older daunt, of A. F. origin; endevore, used reflexively, as in 'he sholde endeuore hym to seche hem,' p. 93, l. 21; falacye, p. 67, l. 10; fyret, a ferret, p. 79, l. 29; genete, a gennet, p. 79, l. 29; martre, the animal now called the marten, p. 112, l. 18, and spelt martron at p. 79, l. 28; orguillous, proud, p. 36, l. 31, afterwards used by Shakespeare, Troil. Prol. 2; polley, a pulley, p. 96, l. 36 (Chaucer's form is polive); preferre, v., p. 78, l. 28; progenitour, p. 91, 1. 25; saufgarde, now safeguard, p. 7, 1. 3; secretarye, p. 52, l. 19; stuffe, v., p. 56, l. 28; subdue, in place of M. E. soduen, p. 85, l. 33; viscose, viscous, p. 90, l. 1. I may add that he uses hebenus, the Latin form, instead of ebony, p. 84, 1. 38; and the verb plaghe, i. e. to plague, also from Latin, p. 70, l. 9. Caxton was also acquainted with Dutch. which may account for his use of growle, p. 78, l. 37; see the quotation in the Supplement to my Dictionary (2nd ed.).

§ 114. It would be interesting to trace the early use of Central French words by later authors, but the problem of determining the first appearance of a word in English, which is always a difficult one, becomes more so as we descend towards modern times. There can be little doubt that the borrowing of F. words continued throughout the sixteenth century; in fact, England held both Calais and Guines down to 1558. We find in Shakespeare a few uncommon words of F. origin, which are but little older than his time. Such are accost, in Tw. Nt. i. 3. 52, which he probably introduces by way of ridicule; it had been used by Bp. Hall only two years before, but no earlier quotation for it is known. Curiously enough, it has now become a recognised word, and there is nothing very ridiculous about it. Aglet, occur-

ring in aglet-baby, a doll dressed up with aglets (Tam. Shrew, i. 2. 79), is found as early as 1440, in the Promptorium Parvulorum. Agnize, to recognise, own, first found in 1535, is a made-up word, suggested by cognize and recognise. All amort (Tam. Shrew, iv. 3. 36) is a curious corruption of the F. a la mort¹, to death; it had previously been used by Greene, in the first scene of his Friar Bacon. Astringer, occurring in a stage direction in All's Well, v. 1, should rather be austringer; it has an inserted n before the ge, as in passenger, messenger (for passager, messager), and is a variant of ostreger, used in the Book of St. Albans (A.D. 1486) to signify a man who kept goshawks; from O. F. ostour (F. autour), a goshawk. Bawcock (Tw. Nt. iii. 4. 125) is a made-up word; from F. beau coq, fine cock. Biggin or biggen, a night-cap, first occurs in Palsgrave (1430), who has 'Byggen for a chyldes heed, beguyne'; where beguyne is the F. form. Bruit, a rumour, Troil. v. 9. 4, occurs as early as 1450. Burgonet, a close-fitting helmet, 2 Hen. VI. v. 1. 200, is first found in 1563. Caliver, a kind of musket, I Henry IV. iv. 2. 21, seems to be a corruption of calibre: it first appears in 1568. Carcanet, a collar of jewels, Com. Err. iii. 1. 4, is a late dimin. of F. carcan, a collar. Casque, a helmet, Troil. v. 2. 170, first occurs in 1580. In chaudron, entrails, Macb. iv. 1. 33, the r is inserted by confusion with chaudron, a caldron. The correct form is rather chawdon, from O. F. chaudun, earlier form caldun, entrails (Godefroy); cf. G. Kaldaunen. Clinquant, glittering, Hen. VIII. i. 1. 19: from F. clinquant, 'thinne plate-lace of gold or silver,' Cotgrave: cf. Du. klinckende, 'tinckling,' Hexham. Cozier. a botcher, cobbler, Tw. Nt. ii. 3. 97, is from O. F. cousere, nom., given by Godefroy (s.v. couseor), and explained by conturier; the latter answers to Cotgrave's 'Consturier, a Tailor, or Botcher, a Seamster.' The O.F. cousere is from Lat.

¹ Dryden so writes it: 'Mirth was there none, the man was a-lamort'; Wife of Bath's Tale, 340.

consuere, to sew together, cf. F. cous-ant, pres. p. of coudre. Durance, imprisonment, Meas. iii. 1. 67, is used earlier by Fabyan; it is probably short for endurance, since the form durance is very scarce in French, though Godefroy gives a few examples of it in the sense 'duration of time.' Egal, equal, Merch. iii. 4. 13, is plainly borrowed from F. 'egal, equall,' as given by Cotgrave; the form equal is Latin, and the A.F. form was owel, as in the glossary to Britton. Extravagant, in the sense of 'vagrant,' Haml. i. r. 154. Fives, a swelling of the parotid glands of horses, is a corruption of vives, which again is a shortened form of avives; Cotgrave has: 'Avives, the vives, a disease in horses.' This curious word, borrowed from Span. adivas, explained by Minsheu as 'the quincie, or squinancie in a beast,' is of Arabic origin; see avives in Devic's supplement to Littré 1 Frank, a pig-sty, 2 Hen. IV. ii. 2. 160, is borrowed from F. franc, which Cotgrave explains by 'a franke, or stie, to feed and fatten hogs in.' Gallimaufry, a medley or hotchpotch, Mer. Wives, ii. 1. 119, is from F. galimafrée, a sort of ragoût (Littré); which was spelt calimafree in F. in the fourteenth century. Garboil, a disturbance, Ant. i. 3. 61, is from F. garbouil, which Cotgrave explains by 'a garboile, hurliburly, great stirre.' Gimmal-bit (old editions Iymold Bitt), Hen. V. iv. 2. 49, means a bit furnished with gimmals, or twin-links; from O. F. jumel, a twin (Lat. gemellus); see Littré, s. v. jumeau; also gimmal in Nares, and gimbals in my Dictionary. Guardant, a guard, 1 Hen. VI. iv. 7. 9, is merely the F. pres. pt. gardant. Guidon, a standard-bearer, is inserted in modern editions, in Hen. V. iv. 2. 60, where the old editions have guard; however, guidon, in the sense of standard, is used by Drayton and others (see Nares); Cotgrave has, 'Guidon, a

^{&#}x27;1 In Richardson's Arab. Dict., ed. Johnson, p. 712, I find zi-bat, a disease in the throats of horses. This z is also transliterated by dh, and is now pronounced like E. th in this. The Span. form is due to this sb., preceded by the Arab. article al.

Standard, Ensigne, or Banner . . . also, he that bears it.' Havoc is a most interesting word, the etymology of which was explained by me in a paper read at the Philological Society, June 7, 1889; it answers to the O. F. havot, pillage, plunder, either because the t was misread as c (which is one of the commonest of mistakes), or because the final c and twere confused, as in M. E. bakke, a bat, M. E. make, a mate, etc. The matter is quite certain, because we borrowed the phrase cry havoc (K. John, ii. 1. 357) from O. F. crier havot, to cry 'pillage,' i.e. to give the signal for plunder, of which Godefroy gives two examples. Related words are the following: haver, 'to hooke, or grapple with a hook,' Cotgrave; havet, 'a little hooke,' id.; havée, 'a gripe, or handfull, also a booty or prey,' id. Cf. G. Haft, a rivet, Heft, a handle, also a hook, heben, to lift. Hurly-burly, Macb, i. r. 3, which also occurs, somewhat earlier, in Bale's Kynge Johan (ed. Collier, p. 63), is a reduplicated form of hurly, a tumult, K. John, iii. 4. 169; from O.F. hurlee, hullee, tumult (Godefroy), once the fem. pp. of hurler (L. ululare). Incarnadine, Mach. ii. 2. 62, is from F. incarnadin, of the colour of carnation (Cotgrave). Jauncing, Rich. II. v. 5. 94, is from F. jancer, 'to stirre a horse in the stable till he be swart withall; Cotgrave. This O.F. jancer also meant to sweep clean (Godefroy). Other words, many of which are sufficiently explained in my Dictionary, are jutty; lunes (from F. lune); module (F. module, Cotg.); musit; mutine, to rebel (F. mutiner); mutine, a rebel (F. mutin, Cotg.); oeillade (F. æillade, 'an amorous look,' Cotg.); orgulous, proud, previously used by Caxton, see § 113. Also parle, parley, both sb. and v.; partisan, a kind of halberd; perdurable (F. perdurable, Cotg.); periapt, amulet, r Hen. VI. v. 3. 2, from F. periapte, 'a medicine hanged about any part of the body,' Cotg.; perspectives; pestered, impeded; pioner, a pioneer (also used by Lord Berners); planched, boarded, Meas. iv. 1. 30, from F. planche, a plank; plantage (F. plantage, a planting, Cotg.); pouncel-

box, from F. ponce, pumice; puzzel, a hussy, I Hen. VI. i. 4. 107, from F. pucelle. Ouart d'écu is needlessly substituted for the cardecue of the old editions in All's Well, iv. 3. 311, v. 2. 35, cardecue being the E. phonetic spelling of F. quart d'écu1. Relume. Oth. v. 2. 13, is an E. adaptation of F. rallumer, 'to light, kindle, or set on fire again,' Cotgrave; reverb, short for reverber, from F. reverberer; rivage, Hen. V. iii. chor. 14, from F. rivage, 'the sea-shore,' Cotg.; rondure, roundure, from F. rondeur, 'roundness,' Cotg.; roynish, scurvy (as a term of contempt), from F. roigneux, 'scabbie, mangie, scurvie,' Cotg.; to which ronyon is said to be a related word. Sallet, a kind of helmet, occurs in Palsgrave. Scroyles, scabby rogues, K. John, ii. 373, is from M. F. les escroelles (later form escrouelles), 'the kings evill,' i.e. scrofula. Cotg. The phrase 'tickle o' the sere' in Hamlet, ii. 2. 337, means 'ready to go off at a light touch,' or 'easily excited to laugh'; tickle means 'ticklish, unsteady'; and sere is mod. E. sear, defined by Ogilvie as 'the pivoted piece in a gun-lock which enters the notches of the tumbler, and holds the hammer at half-cock or full-cock.' See the note in Aldis Wright's edition of Hamlet. The derivation is from F. serrer, to pinch, lock, hold fast; cf. F. serrure, a lock. Tester, a coin worth about sixpence, is for testern, a corruption of F. teston; the E. coin is not older than the time of Henry VIII. Vaunt-courier, for avaunt-courier, i.e. forerunner. Velure, Tam. Shr. iii. 2. 62, a much later form than velvet, is from F. velours.

With F. words of an earlier period. Thus vail, to lower, is short for avale, used by Chaucer. Foison also occurs in Chaucer, and so does taste, in the sense of 'feel.' Tabor is in Havelok the Dane; and so is pateyn, a doublet of Shakespeare's patine. Surcease is the A.F. sursise, which

¹ The silver quart d'écu was first coined in 1580; see the New E. Dict., s. v. cardecu.

occurs in the Laws of William the Conqueror, § 50 ¹. Affeered (often mis-derived) is an A. F. law-term, and means 'confirmed'; it is derived from the late Latin afforare, to fix the market-value of a thing, from forum, market; see the New E. Dictionary. And so on.

§ 115. The close relationship between England and France did not cease with the loss of Calais. Charles I., for example, married Henrietta Maria, the daughter of Henry IV. of France. But, as we are here only concerned with the history of the language, it is sufficient to consider that the saturation of English with French terms, and the proximity of the two countries, fully explain the continual interest which we have ever taken in the French language and literature. In this connection, there is one author in particular, viz. Dryden, who is much too important to be passed over. Even before his time, Butler had already written a Satire on our Ridiculous Imitation of the French, whom (he says) the English copied like monkeys, and from whom they borrowed the newest fashions in dress—

'And, while they idly think t' enrich,
Adulterate their native speech:
For, though to smatter ends of Greek
Or Latin, be the rethorique
Of pedants counted, and vain-glorious,
To smatter French is meritorious;
And, to forget their mother-tongue,
Or purposely to speak it wrong,
A hopeful sign of parts and wit,
And that they improve and benefit.'

I cannot here do better than refer my readers to the excellent essay by Prof. A. Beljame, entitled 'Quae e Gallicis

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² 'E ki le cri orat e sursera, la sursise [enuers] li rei amend, u sen espurget'; i. e. and whoever hears the hue and cry, and then desists, let him pay for his desisting to the king, or clear himself of it. The Latin version is—'Qui, clamore audito, insequi supersederit, de sursisa erga regem emendet; nisi se iuramento purgare potuerit.'

verbis in Anglicam linguam Johannes Dryden introduxerit'; printed at Paris in 1881. It is from this essay that all the following remarks upon Dryden's language are derived. It abounds in quotations shewing his use of words, with full and exact references. In many instances Prof. Beljame has found, in Dryden's works, earlier examples of words than are given in my Dictionary.

The accession of Charles II., in particular, gave a fresh impulse to the study of French in England at a time when French literature was in the ascendant. See, on this point, the remarks in Chap. III. of Macaulay's History of England. 'No other country could produce a tragic poet equal to Racine, a comic poet equal to Moliere, a trifler so agreeable as La Fontaine, a rhetorician so skilful as Bossuet . . . French was fast becoming the universal language i, the language of fashionable society, the language of diplomacy . . . Our prose became less majestic, less artfully involved, less variously musical than that of an earlier age, but more lucid, more easy, and better fitted for controversy and narrative. In these changes it is impossible not to recognise the influence of French precept and of French example.' Macaulay gives a striking instance, from Dryden, of the way in which a French word could be substituted for an English one which would better have served the turn.

'Hither in summer evenings you repair
To taste the fraicheur of the purer air.'
To His Sacred Majesty, l. 101.

When Dryden said fraicheur, of course he meant freshness; and one wonders why he could not have said so. But it is probable that the poet well knew his business; for I fear His

¹ This present century has seen a marked change. It is no longer French, but English, which takes the lead. Even in diplomacy, the year 1889 has witnessed a new thing, viz. the nse of English at Berlin for the settlement of affairs between America and Germany.

Sacred Majesty preferred *fraicheur*. An instance such as this is extremely significant.

- § 116. M. Beljame cites a passage from Act III. of Dryden's Marriage a-la-Mode (a play with a French title), in which Philotis brings Melantha a supply of new French words, in order to furnish her 'with new words' for her 'daily conversation.' The list includes sottises (a word of which Melantha at once highly approves), figure, naive, naiveté, foible, chagrin, grimace, embarrasse, double entendre, équivoque, esclaircissement (sic), suitté, beveue, façon, panchant (sic), coup d'étourdy, and ridicule.' A little further on, in the same scene, we find languissant, billets doux, gallant, tendre, repartee. The remarks on figure, naive, and naiveté are worth giving.
- 'Phil. Figure: As, what a figure² of a man is there! Naive, and naiveté.
 - 'Mel. Naive / as how?
- 'Phil. Speaking of a thing that was naturally said, it was so *naive*; or such an innocent piece of simplicity, 'twas such a *naiveté*.'

Observe how many of these are still in use. We have absolutely adopted this use of figure as well as naive, naiveté, foible, chagrin, grimace, embarrass as a verb, double entendre, éclaircissement, suite, penchant, billet doux. By gallant, Dryden does not mean the old word gállant (romic gæl·ənt), but the later gallánt (romic gəlænt), in the sense of 'courtly.'

Our attention is also drawn to Act V. sc. 1 of the same play, where we again find *chagrin*, *suitte* (also spelt *suite*), *douceurs*, *embarrass* (used as an E. verb), *beveue* (in the sense

¹ Suitté is shown by other passages to be a misprint for suitte, better spelt suite. Beveue is for bévue, a blunder. Façon was needless, as fashion had long been in use. Our ridicule is a sb., not an adj., as in French.

² Figure is an old word, and occurs in Chancer. Dryden refers merely to a peculiar use of it, as when we say 'he makes a regular figure of himself.'

of 'blunder'), eclaircissement, sottises, etc., all introduced as E. words, as in—'I have so great a tendre for your person, and such a panchant to do you service'—'how could I make that coup d'étourdy to think him one?'—'That the princess should thus rompre en visiere, without occasion'—'I am desesperé au dernier'—'how durst you interrupt me so mal a propos.' We also find here malheur, contretemps, la raillerie gallante, un cavalier accomply, a minuét¹, en cavalier, a chanson à boire, in cabarets, an eveillé, I begin to have a tendre for you, your gayeté d'esprit, sans nulle reserve, stay but a minuite (sic). We here see many more words which we still retain, viz. douceur, mal a propos², contretemps, raillery, cavalier, minuet, esprit, reserve, sb. Gaiety and minute are much older words; Dryden's spelling minuite probably means no more than that the word was to be pronounced as in French.

§ 117. M. Beljame gives a fairly complete and useful list, with quotations and references, of words that were used for the first time either by Dryden himself, or also (in not many instances) by authors who wrote but a little while before him, such as Butler and Milton. I regret that I have no space for more than the bare list of words; I must refer the reader to the book itself for further information.

The word-list contains the following: Adroit (in Evelyn, 1652); aggressour (also spelt aggressor, as if from Latin); agonize (used by Stubbes, 1583); alamode; alamort (Shakespeare's all-amort, as explained in § 114); alexandrine (verse); ambuscade (occurs in 1582); amnesty (in Bacon, Adv. Learn.

¹ So in Sir W. Scott's edition, 1808; M. Beljame has 'a minouét,' as he follows the edition of 1673.

² I think it is a mistake to suppose that French words are not used by the lower orders in England. In the first place, the old A. F. words, such as ease, crown, glory, are a necessary part of their language; and secondly, the lower orders are often glad to use a F. word if they can get hold of it. Only lately, a poor old woman told a friend of mine that her cottage had been done up, and 'made quite a propos'; which was pronounced as it often is, viz. (æpræpou'), riming with no (nou).

ii. 23. § 6); amour (in Chaucer, and earlier, but not much used in the fifteenth century); antechamber (spelt antichamber, because the F. form is antichambre); apartment; apropos; assassin (see New E. D.); attaque, attacque, now attack, both as v. and sb. (spelt attack by Holland in 1600); attitude.

Bagatelle, a trifle; ball, a dance (Chapman and Shirley wrote a play called The Ball ab. 1632); ballet; bandit, as in Milton, Com. 426 (but Shakespeare has bandetto, and it may be Italian; see New E. D.); barricade, s.; baston, spelt battoon by Butler; beau, s., pl. beaux; belvedere (F. from Italian); billet-doux; bizarre; bravade, which has been superseded by bravado, a false form of Span. bravada; brillant, s., a diamond, now spelt brilliant, like the adj.; brunet, now brunette; brutal (a much older word, used by Henryson, ab. 1450); brutality (in Latimer, 1549); burlesque, s. and v.

Cadet; cajole; caleche, now calash; camisade, a night attack (obsolescent); campaign, in a military sense; cannonade; capot, v., to win all the tricks at the game of piquet; caprice; caress, v.; carnival (see Massinger, City Madam, iv. 4); carousel, a kind of tournament, confused with our carousal, though originally distinct from it; carte-blanche; cavalcade; chacon, a dance (F. chaconne, Ital. ciaccona); chagrin; cirque; code; commandant; complaisance, complaisant; confident (spelt confident); console, v.; counterband, now contraband, which is more Italian in form; contrast, v.; coquette; corps (of soldiers); couchee (see Hind and Panther, i. 516); courant, adj.; cravat; critique; cuirassier (in Butler, Hud. iii. 3. 362).

Debauchee; decry; deference; despotic; dessert; detach; disapprove; disencumber; diversion; divertise, v., to divert, amuse; divertisement, amusement; dome; double entendre (yet F. has only double entente); douceur; dragoon; drugget; dupe, s. and v.

Eclaircissement; embarrass; embroil, whence also disembroil; engineer (older form enginer); epopee (epic poem); escalade; escapade. = Fatigue, s.; festoon; flagelet, now flageolet; flambeau; flute-doux; foible; foliage; fougue, fury, spelt fogue (Astræa Redux, 203); fraicheur, or fraischeur (see p. 162); fricassee; fund (spelt fond, Albion and Albanius, procemium).

Gazette; gendarme, pl. gensdarms; gimp, spelt guimp; grandeur; grimace; grotesque; group; guitar. H. Sh. 15 Harangue; harlequin; harpoon; houss, in the pl. housses, i.e. housings, trappings for a horse.

Impertinence (cf. Milton, P. L. viii. 195); impromptu; incommode, v.; incontestable; instructive; integral; intendant, s.; intrigue.

Justacorps, a close-fitting dress for a woman (F. justau-corps; obsolete).

Lampoon; legislative; levee; louis-d'or.

Mal-apropos; maltreat; masquerade; memoir; messieurs,
pl.; mien; miniature; minuet; mosque.

Naive, naiveté; nom-de-guerre.

Ombre; cf. Waller's epigram, 'written on a card that Her Majesty [i. e. the queen of Charles II.] tore at Ombre.'

Painture (obsolete); paladin; palette; palisade; palliard, a rake (obsolete; F. paillard); panacee (we now use Lat. panacaea); pantaloon; papa (imported from France; see N. and Q. 1881, p. 273); parry; parterre; Pasquin; passepartout; payable; peruke; petrify; piquet; pistole; plastron, a breast-piece (Ital. piastrone, obsolete); platoon; (Ottoman) Porte; portmanteau; preference; prelude; profile (F. profil, in Littré); prolific.

Quatrain; quatre (in dice-play; also spelt cater); quint, a sequence of five, in piquet.

Ragout; raillery; rally, v.; rebuff; recitative; refugee; refund (F. refonder, in Cotgrave); regorge; remand; repartee; reprimand; retard; retouch; retrench; retrenchment; reveille; ridicule (see my Dict.); risque, now risk; ritornelle (also ritornelle, as in Italian); rodomontade; rondache, a buckler, The Assignation, A. ii. sc. 1 (obsolete); rondeau;

ruelle (we even find ruel in P. Plowman, C. x. 79, on which see my note).

Salve, in the sense of salvo, a salute; sap, to undermine (used by Howell; see my Dict.); saraband; satirise; scaramouch; serenade; simagre (= simagree), a grimace (obsolete); simarre, symarr, cymarr, a kind of gown (F. simarre, from Ital. zimarra); suite, oddly spelt suite; surtout; sylph; symphony.

Tendre, a tender feeling (obsolete); tocsin; tour; tout, all (obsolete, except in tout ensemble); transpierce (F. transpercer).

Valet (the older form is varlet, Fuller has valett); valet-dechambre; vase; verve, animation (rare); vol, vole, a deal at cards that draws all the tricks; volunteer (used by Drayton). Truly, a remarkable list.

§ 118. In his third Chapter, Prof. Beljame very properly draws attention to the fact that, of the above words, quite two hundred have remained in use, and that the number of them which is now obsolete is extremely small; so that, in fact, Johnson was entirely wrong in his estimate of Dryden's choice of words, when he says, not far from the end of his Life of Dryden, that 'he had a vanity, unworthy of his abilities, to show, as may be suspected, the rank of the company with whom he lived, by the use of French words, which had then crept into conversation; such as fraicheur for coolness, fougue for turbulence, and a few more, none of which the language has incorporated or retained. They continue only where they stood first, perpetual warnings to future innovators.' There is here no hint of the far more important truth, that his use of French words has been largely approved of and endorsed by the whole English nation down to the present day. I beg leave to repeat here what I have already said with respect to Chaucer, that great authors are rather the servants than the masters of the general public, and are rather ruled by than rule the speech of their contemporaries. If they become 'authorities' for

the use of words, it is mainly because of their copiousness, because they reflect the general speech of their age rather than that of a few individuals. To use Johnson's own words, if Dryden wrote so as to shew 'the rank of the company with whom he lived,' I should say it was at once the most natural and the wisest thing to do. At the same time, it is of course true that the loss of such words as fraicheur and fougue is not to be regretted; they failed to take root for the precise reason that has condemned them, viz. that they had no general acceptation, and therefore were not wanted.

§ 119. Prof. Beljame draws attention, with a praiseworthy patriotism, to the fact which Macaulay so clearly expresses when he says, with reference to this period:—'France united at that time almost every species of ascendency. military glory was at the height. . . . Her authority was supreme in all matters of good breeding, from a duel to a minuet. . . In literature, she gave law to the world.'—Hist. Eng. ch. iii. Accordingly, the words in the above list attest the supremacy of French in many directions. 'Nos etiam armis tum praevaluisse testantur attack, detach, retrench, ambuscade, escalade, cannonade, barricade, palisade, commandant, engineer, volunteer, cuirassier, dragoon, gendarme, campaign, corps, platoon; litteris: alexandrine, quatrain, epopee, impromptu, gazette, lampoon, memoir, critique; artibus: contrast, retouch, attitude, group, profile, palette, miniature,flageolet, guitar, prelude, recitative, ritornelle, rondeau, serenade, symphony; variis urbanae vitae elegantiis, oblectamentis, atque voluptatibus: belvedere, calash, flambeau, vase, -ombre, piquet, capot, quint, vole, amour, caprice, intrigue, foible, tendre, beau, coquette, brunette. Denique, ne ullum gentis nostrae omittatur laudis genus, exteris etiam coquis et vestificis nos leges dedisse nonnulla manifestum faciunt, ut: dessert, fricassee, ragout, cravat, peruke, pantaloons, surtout, gimp.'

120. The next point in Prof. Beljame's essay is of great

importance, viz. the retention, in many words, of the French accent and even of the French pronunciation. Thus, grimáce is accented on the latter syllable, quite differently from the older words ménace, pálace, sólace. Carteblanche, gendarme, rondeau, eclaircissement, parterre, valet, douceur, caprice, critique, intrigue, etc., retain enough of their old pronunciation to remind every one of their French origin. We have not treated ballet, piquet, valet as we have drugget, which has been thoroughly Anglicised; nor douceur as grandeur; nor caprice as service; nor chagrin as satin; nor amour as honour, nor even as enamour. Ambuscade, apropos, guitar, rondeau, dragoon, critique, are, respectively, closely related to ambush, to (the) purpose, gittern or cittern, roundel, dragon, and critic; all of which throw back the accent on to the former syllable, and thus prove their higher antiquity. We may also contrast beau with beauty, corps with corpse, suite with suit, tour with turn, memoir with memory and memorial, eclaircissement with clear, foible with feeble, and rally, to banter, with the verb to rail. On the whole, this question of the pronunciation of the French words introduced into English in the age of Dryden, or at a later period, is of sufficient importance to be discussed in a new Chapter.

CHAPTER IX.

WORDS OF LATE FRENCH ORIGIN.

§ 121. At the end of the last Chapter I spoke of words introduced in the time of Dryden, or later, some of which still retain, more or less, the French pronunciation. The fact is that there are at least three sets of French words in English, though they are not sharply distinguishable, and sometimes can hardly be distinguished at all. First, there are the words of Anglo-French origin, which came into the language before 1350, and form part and parcel of the good old stock, being of equal value and use with the words of native origin (§ 7). Secondly, there are the CENTRAL FRENCH words of the Middle French period, imported chiefly between 1350 and 1660 (the date of the accession of Charles II). These words also conformed to the English accent and pronunciation, and abound, like the former class, in our famous authors of the time of Elizabeth and James I. Thirdly, we have a set which may well be called LATE French words, introduced into the language since 1660, or thereabouts. Many of these have also become thoroughly English, both in accent and pronunciation, but at the same time there is among them no inconsiderable number that still retain some French peculiarity, either of accent or of pronunciation, or of both. I greatly doubt the value of some of them; they are, on the whole, of far less value than those in the two former classes.

As regards accent, the tendency is to accent these words on the *last* syllable, contrary to the English habit of throwing the accent back. If such words be trisyllabic, they are frequently accented twice, viz. on the first and third syllables. and the accent on the third syllable is much more marked than in the case of older words. Thus, the late French words lemonade, masquerade, pantaloon, arabesque, repartee, bombardier, volunteer, etc. have the principal accent on the third syllable, whilst the old words elephant, countenance, negligence, obsequies, banishment, &c. have the principal accent on the first syllable. This is only true to a limited extent; for the habit of throwing back the accent is much the stronger one, and it is very easy to alter the accent of an individual word. Parachúte, for example, is easily changed to parachute, which is now common; indeed, it is so marked in Ogilvie's Dictionary. As regards dissyllables, we still accent the latter syllable in grimace, campaign, harangue, bizarre, guitar, cravat, parterre, burlesque, grotesque, cadet, brunette, coquette, gazette, caprice, critique, fatigue, intrigue, cajole, dragoon, festoon, harpoon, lampoon, platoon, ragout, surtout, peruke, and some others; all of which are of late French origin.

§ 122. In § 10 I have already noted most of the peculiarities of pronunciation found in words of late French origin, and have already shewn how necessary it is that children who are being taught to read should be taught the usual sounds of the French alphabet as well as the usual sounds of the English one; since the knowledge of both sources would at once explain some of the peculiarities of our symbols. might easily be explained, for example, that the symbol ou has two distinct values in modern English; viz. (1) the E. value (au), as in house (haus), mouth (mauth), out (aut), this value being much the commoner one of the two; and (2) the F. value (uu), as in soup (suup), group (gruup), tour (tuua), rouge (ruuzh), roulette (ruulet), routine (ruutiin), recoup (rikuu p, riikuu p), trousseau (truusou); and so on. An honest admission of the truth of such a fact as this would do something to lessen the apparent anomalies of our

spelling. This point is so much neglected, as far as I know, by teachers, that it is worth while to give numerous examples; especially noting such peculiarities as point out the lateness of the period at which such words as retain (or partially retain) their F. pronunciation, were borrowed. I shall now discuss the vowels and diphthongs, &c. in due order.

§ 123. No words fluctuate more in pronunciation than the late French words which we are here considering. There is a constant tendency to assimilate their pronunciation to that of native words, and rapid changes in this direction are not unfrequent. Many of them have two pronunciations at least, and a few (such as vase) have more. In many cases, I do not myself know how to pronounce them; I find, for example, on reference to Ogilvie's Dictionary, that he not unfrequently marks the pronunciation quite differently from what I should have supposed. Some of his pronunciations are given below; I transliterate them, however, into 'broad romic' (see vol. i. § 310, p. 336). Thus for avalanche. O. gives (ævælænsh), whereas I am accustomed to (ævælaonsh). For glacis, which I used to pronounce nearly in the F. way, viz. as (glaasii), he gives, to my astonishment, (glei·sis), as if it rimed to basis. For badinage, he gives both the E. (bædinei'j) and the F. (badinaazh). Hence it will be understood that, in the examples below, I am reduced to giving my own pronunciation, without being at all aware whether it will be generally considered as 'correct'; when I give Ogilvie's pronunciation also, it is because his views may be preferred to mine. I am not aware that there is any real standard in some of these cases. As our spelling is so poor a guide to the sound, one can seldom be sure of a word unless one has frequently heard it; and there are many words which one seldom hears, such as enfilade, glacis, complaisance, and so on. Other words may be heard often, and yet heard differently; in menagerie, I have heard the g sometimes sounded like the E. j, and, just as often, like the F. j. The

only safe prediction is that the E. method will prevail at last, and the late French words, like the Middle French words before them, must conform, sooner or later, to the present (or future) pronunciation of native and of Anglo-French words.

§ 124. A. The F. sound (aa) of this vowel is somewhat scarce, and is chiefly kept up by fresh borrowings. We still keep it in menage (meenaarzh); mirage (miiraarzh); éclat (eeklaa), which in the last century seems to have been called (eeklao·)¹, just as spa (spaa) was called (spao·), and even spelt spaw. Papier-maché is still pronounced nearly as in French. but often with that peculiar E. mode of pronouncing French, which turns (aa) into (æ), as if it contained the syllables pap and mash. For avalanche, badinage, glacis, see above (§ 123). Few E. people keep the F. a in chaperon, chateau, glacier, &c.; it is constantly turned into the E. (æ) in cat (kæt). The suffix -ade is very commonly (eid), as in lemonade, cannonade; Ogilvie gives the same sound for enfilade, façade, gasconade, pomade, rodomontade, tirade, but admits (fasaa'd) as a variation. For myself, I say (pomaa'd, rodomontaa'd, tiraa'd), and sound promenade as (prom'enaa'd); but when it comes to façade, gasconade, I am doubtful. But I say (en filei d). For moustache, I say (mustaa sh), but O. has (mustæsh'). Sometimes the English make some sort of attempt to sound the nasal F. an in restaurant, surveillance, gourmand, nonchalant, nonchalance; but in charlatan, it is usually unattempted.

In the word tamper, we have an interesting example in which am is due to the nasal F. em; it is a mere variant of the verb to temper. In adroit, the a is much less clear than in French; it is commonly (a), the obscure vowel. It is clearer in patois, in which the F. pronunciation is attempted.

¹ Even in 'Marie Mignot,' in the Ingoldsby Legends, éclat rimes with E. law; and in 'Some Account of A New Play,' in the same, E. law rimes with F. faux pas.

It is quite clear in the second syllable of papa (pəpaa'). The word vase causes great difficulty, because it is isolated. For myself, I call it (vaaz). Those who associate it with phrase call it (veiz). Those who associate it with chase call it (veis). And others think they have cause to call it (vaoz); cf. spaw for spa above.

On the whole, it will be seen that the F. a has but a precarious tenure amongst us; and considering that we already possess the a (α) in cat (k α), the α (ei) in fate (feit), and the α (ao) in call (kaol), it may be expected that the F. α will often be confused with one of these and disappear, except in particular combinations where we are accustomed to it, as, e.g. before ss, st, &c.; cf. pass, past, &c.

§ 125. E. The F. e is seldom kept in English. We find it, initially, in écarté, éclat, éclaircissement, élan, épergne; but Ogilvie marks it, in the last of these, as being like E. e in met. Echelon, eglantine, epaulet, &c., have the E. sound of e. We also find the F. é, finally, in congé 1, écarté, naiveté, roué, soirée, papiermaché; and in some words ending in et in which the t is silent, such as ballet, bouquet, cabriolet, corset (O. gives the suffix as E. -et), croquet, tourniquet (also with E. suffix -et), valet (also væl·et). In rendezvous, the F. ez is often turned into an E. short i. The e' in fête keeps its F. sound, but not always; it is a word that often appears in advertisements, and the readers of them who do not know French are apt to call it feet (fiit). I have so heard it; in fact, it rimes with greet in The 'Monstre' Balloon, by T. Ingoldsby. Tête-à-tête also shews F. ê; and so does the phrase béte noire.

The F. en (with the nasal sound) is sometimes attempted, the commonest word of this character being encore, in which there is a tendency to sound en as (ong). So also rencontre, rendezvous; enceinte, ennui, en route, en famille, en passant,

¹ Formerly also congee, congie; and, probably, with a variable pronunciation.

double entendre; cf. embonpoint. I remember the time when the F. pronunciation of envelope was general. It is now commonly Anglicised; doubtless because we also possess the old verb to envelop.

§ 126. I. The F. long i (ii) is fairly common, especially in the termination -ine (iin). Exx. brigantine (Ogilvie gives the E. sound to the long i); bombasine, crinoline, fascine, gelatine, glycerine, guillotine, machine, magazine, marine (so also submarine, transmarine, ultramarine), nectarine, paraffine, quarantine, quinine, ravine, routine, sardine, tambourine, tontine, wolverine (or wolvereen). So also antique, critique, oblique, also (oblai'k), pique, unique, piquet; fatigue, intrigue; caprice, police, pelisse; bastile, deshabille, vaudeville; fleur-de-lis, visa-vis, glacis, for which Ogilvie gives the very modern pronunciation (glei·sis); chemise, cheval-de-frise; élite, suite; souvenir, sortie. The F. short i is sometimes heard in vignette. The most interesting cases are those in which the F. i is absolutely represented by the E. ee. Thus guarantee was formerly guaranty, and represents F. garantie; repartee, formerly reparty, represents F. repartie; fusee, a fuse, match, is from F. fusil, with mute l; genteel represents F. gentil, gentille, So also canteen, F. cantine; lateen, F. Latine; ratteen, F. ratine. The last is perhaps obsolete, but occurs in Swift's Epilogue to a Play for the benefit of the distressed weavers, 1721; and meant a kind of thick twilled woollen stuff.

We'll rig from Meath-Street Ægypt's haughty queen, And Antony shall court her in ratteen.

The F. terrine was first spelt terreen, and then (phonetically) tureen, the u being used to denote the unemphatic vowel; its etymology is now forgotten, and the tu is consequently often pronounced like the tu- in tumultuous. The i in oblige had the F. sound in Pope's time, as is well known 1; but the word is old, and such a pronunciation of it was an affectation.

^{1 &#}x27;And so obliging, that he ne'er obliged' rimes with besieged; Prol. to Satires, 208.

- § 127. OU. The F. ou, as has already been remarked, is also common. Examples are:—accoutre, accoutrement, amour, bijou, billet-doux, boudoir, bouquet, cartouche, contour, coup, coupon, croupier, debouch, detour, embouchure, group, moustache, pirouette, ragout, recoup, roué, rouge, rouleau, roulette, route, routine, silhouette, sou, soup, souvenir, surtout, tour, troubadour (F., from Provençal), trousseau. Tournament and tourney are old words; hence the pronunciation of the first syllable varies. In the word troop, we have an interesting example of E. phonetic spelling; it was formerly spelt troupe, as in French; see Spenser, F. Q. i. 11.6. As for manœuvre, we get over the difficulty of the F. sound of œu by using the sound of F. ou instead.
- § 128. U, AU, EAU, IEU. There is but little attempt to sound the F. u; it usually becomes the E. \bar{u} in rune (ruun). It is also scarce. I only know of ormolu, parvenu; the latter of which often has the F. pronunciation. Perdu, according to Ogilvie, is pronounced (pəədiu·), as if it were English; yet it often has the F. pronunciation. But impromptu is treated as English.

The F. au, pronounced as E. \bar{o} (ou) is rare, and only occurs in words of late importation. Examples: hautboy, mauve, noyau, Sauterne, vaudeville. Dauphin is a much older word, and hence is often (dao fin), as if English. In the same way, the au of hauteur varies between E. \bar{o} (ou) and E. au (ao); cf. haughty (hao ti).

The F. eau is also scarce. We have beau, bureau, chateau, flambeau, morceau, plateau, rondeau, trousseau. The A. F. eau is now (iuu), as in beauty (biuu'ti), Beaulieu (biuu'li).

The F. ieu has become the ordinary E. long u, as heard in duty. It occurs in adieu, lieu, purlieu, which really belong to a much older time, and therefore take the E. sound. These three words occur in Shakespeare.

OI. The F. oi is very scarce. We have something like it in devoir, memoir, reservoir, au revoir, where the oir is

practically identified with E. war. So also in patois, soirée (Sam Weller's swarry).

- § 129. IER. The F. final -ier, when accented, is now sounded as in E. bier, pier, tier, &c. Examples: bombardier, brigadier, brevier, carabinier, cashier, s., cavalier, chandelier, chevalier, chiffonier, cuirassier, fusilier, gondolier, grenadier, halberdier, harquebussier, saltier (in heraldry). Observe how many of these terms are military. Sometimes the spelling is Englished to -eer, as in buccaneer, also buccanier, cannoneer (formerly also cannonier), gazetteer, muleteer; and, being thus established as a suffix, is put for the F. -aire in musketeer (F. mousquetaire), pamphleteer (F. pamphlétaire), volunteer (F. volontaire); and is further used where there is no corresponding F. sb., as in auctioneer, charioteer, electioneer, mountaineer, privateer, scrutineer, sonneteer. The old enginer and pioner (both in Shakespeare) are now engineer and pioneer. Career occurs before 1600, and is from Mid. F. carriere. Barrier has been modified, by the influence of F. barrière, from the M. E. barere, which became barreere in the 15th century, and should have given a mod. E. barreer. This explains at once why Pope rimed it with near; Essay on Man, i. 223.
- § 130. EUR. The sound of the F. suffix -eur is more or less attempted in some words, such as colporteur, connoisseur, douceur, hauteur, liqueur. The pronunciation of E. monsieur is not easy to define. Grandeur occurs in Milton, P. R. iv. 110, and has quite lost the F. sound. It is often pronounced (græn-jəə).
- § 131. ON. The F. suffix -on, with the nasal sound, is sometimes heard in *chaperon*, also pronounced (shæp·erou·n) with long ō, *chignon*, *coupon*, *crayon*, *jupon*, *ton* (in the sense of 'fashion'). In several words, the F. suffix -on is represented by mod. E. -oon (-uun). The most striking example of this appears in the adj. *boon*, as used in the phrase 'a *boon* companion'; the said *boon* being simply borrowed from the

F. bon; see the New E. Dictionary. In the same way we have balloon, bassoon, batoon, buffoon, cardoon (a plant resembling an artichoke), cartoon, cocoon, dragoon, doubloon, festoon, galloon, harpoon, lampoon, macaroon, musketoon, pantaloon, platoon (F. peloton), pontoon, saloon, shalloon. Even mushroom belongs to this list, as it is a mistake for mushroon, from the Mid. F. mouscheron, also spelt mousseron (as at present), which Cotgrave explains by 'mushrome.' Rigadoon should rather be rigodoon (F. rigodon, or rigaudon, the name of a dance said to have been invented by one Rigaud).

I do not think the E. suffix -oon is intended to represent the nasal sound of F. -on. On the contrary, I take it to be a survival of the O. F. suffix -on, which (at any rate in late Anglo-French) was also spelt -un or -oun, and was sounded, as I suppose, very much like our modern -oon. The history of the words button and mutton is sufficient to shew this. The M. E. forms were botoun, Sir Gawain and the Grene Knight, 220, and motoun, P. Plowman, B. iii. 24, pronounced (but uun, mut uun), from older forms (butuun, mutuun) accented on the latter syllable. The present pronunciation of these words is due to the strong stress on the former syllable, giving first (but'un, mut'un), and afterwards (bət'n, mət'n). Another illustration of the same fact is afforded by the very numerous words which, in Chaucer, end in -ioun; thus the sb. toun (tuun), a town, rimes with abhominacioun, affectioun, ascencioun, conclusioun, condicioun, eleccioun, confessioun, confusioun, and twelve more words of the same character. I should conclude that, but for the shifting of the accent, the modern English forms of button and mutton would certainly have been butoon and mutoon respectively.

§ 132. **CH**. Some consonantal peculiarities should also be noticed. I have already drawn attention, in § 10, to the difference between the M. E. ch, as in chandler, and the late E. ch, as in chandelier. Other examples of the late ch (=sh) appear in avalanche, brochure, chagrin, chaise, chamois, cham

pagne, chaperon, charade, charlatan, chateau, chatelaine, chefd'œuvre, chemise, chevaux-de-frise, chevalier, chicanery (shikenni, or shikenni), chiffonier, chignon. Chivalry is sometimes (shiveli), by the influence of chevalier; but it is an old word, and should keep the old ch. Campbell's alliteration, in Hohenlinden, is quite 'correct':—

'And charge with all thy chivalry.'

So also in cartouche or cartouch, debouch, debouchure, embouchure, moustache; echelon, papiermaché, parachute, ricochet. In some instances we actually substitute the phonetic spelling sh; as in calash (F. calèche); hash (F. hachis), as distinguished from the much older hatchet (F. hachette); plush, short for *pelush (F. peluche); shagreen (F. chagrin). The old galoche, which, in Chaucer, Squi. Ta. 555, rimes with approche, has become galoshe, goloshe, or golosh. The old squach, M. E. squachen, O. F. esquacher, is now squash (skwosh).

§ 133. GE, J, GUE. The old suffix -ge is sounded as (j), as in age, page, adage, cabbage. But very late F. words keep the mod. F. sound of (zh). Examples are: badinage, mirage, prestige, rouge; but the sound is disliked, and many sound the ge, in badinage and prestige, as E. j. Gendarme keeps the F. sound. The sound of the F. j is the same as that of F. ge, and is also extremely rare; we have, however, bijou, jupon, and jeu d'esprit. Jeu, it may be observed, is a doublet of joke. We also have jujube, F. jujube, but it is often called (juu-juub), and is so marked by Ogilvie.

The F. -gue is common in Tudor English, as in epilogue, &c., and therefore affords no criterion of late date. But the words fatigue, intrigue (with F. i) are late. Vogue is in Cotgrave (s. v. vogue). Both fugue and harangue occur in Milton; P. L. xi. 563, 663. Exergue (see my Supplement) was added by Todd to Johnson's Dictionary.

§ 134. QU, QUE. The old qu is sounded as (kw), as in quart (kwaot). The late F. words sometimes have the mod.

F. qu, sounded as k: but this sound is disliked and avoided. Thus quadrille, quatrain, quinine, which, etymologically, have the k-sound, are often pronounced with qu (kw). In the case of quinine, the F. qu is merely copied from the Span. qu, which had the k-sound even in the 16th century, and is meant to represent a k-sound in the original Peruvian word. it is contrary to the etymology to say (kwiniin) or (kwinain); yet both these may be heard. The F. -que is also pronounced as k, and many of the words containing it are rather late, as arabesque, burlesque, grotesque, odalisque, picturesque; brusque, marque, mosque; but antique, casque, oblique, pique, all go back to the 16th century, and Cotgrave gives the spelling pike for the last of these. Piquet is somewhat later. In the middle of a word the same combination occurs; as in bouquet, coquette, croquet, lacquer, liqueur, piquet, tourniquet. At billiards, the F. queue has become cue (kiuu'); here the c represents F. qu, whilst the eue has been assimilated to the final ew in few. The words quoif, quoin, quoit are quite exceptional, being merely variant spellings of coif, coin, and coit. So also quay, formerly also kay, key, is a late spelling of M. E. key.

§ 135. Loss of final s and t. That the loss of final s and t is recent in French, appears from the fact that it is invariably retained in E. words borrowed before 1500, and perhaps later. Compare E. advice, anise, bice, juice, paradise, rice, voice, with F. avis, anis, bis, jus, paradis, riz, voix; and E. biscuit, bruit, conduit, fruit, habit, portrait, and nearly all E. words in -ent, with F. biscuit, bruit, conduit, fruit, habit, portrait, and nearly all E. words in which final s or t is dropped, are late borrowings. Examples are: apropos, chamois, corps, débris, pas, patois, tapis; also glacis, when the F. pronunciation of it is kept. Also: ballet; bouquet; buffet, in the sense of 'refreshment-bar'; cabriolet, croquet, depot, jeu-d'esprit, tourniquet, trait, hors-de-combat. The spelling petty occurs in Shakespeare,

but in P. Plowman we have *petit*, in which the t must have been sounded. The word *éclaircissement* also drops the final t, as it only dates from the time of Dryden. Cf. restaurant, nonchalant. In the same way the final d is dropped in canard, from the F. canard; and in gourmand.

We even meet with the loss of final l; as in E. fusee, from F. fusil, with mute l. odd hshak of loss of a mi Another well-marked characteristic of modern F. is the loss of s before t, as in bête, fête, tête, for O. F. beste, feste, teste; cf. E. beast, feast, tester. Modern E. has adopted bête in the phrase bête noire; also fête and tête-à-tête. Compare also castle, castellain, hostel, with the late words chateau, chatelaine, hotel. Chaucer's wastel is the same word as the mod. F. gáteau, and E. pasty is the mod. F. páté, which we now spell patty. E. cutlet is from F. cotelette, from O. F. costelette, a little rib, diminutive of coste, a rib. An s is also lost in accoutre, from F. accoutrer, older spelling accoustrer. Also in éclat, from the verb éclater, which, like the Prov. esclatar and the E. slate, is of Germanic origin; and in écarté, from the M. F. verb escarter, to discard.

CHAPTER X.

FRENCH WORDS OF LATIN ORIGIN.—THE VOWELS.

§ 136. It has already been pointed out, in § 17, that French, like its sister Romance languages, is unoriginal; and that all the words in it are due to some other language, though the derivations of many words are not certainly known. words are not all due, however, to one source; like many others, it is a composite language, and it is necessary to consider all the possible sources of it. Just as, in England, the history of the language is explained by the history of the people, so it is in France. The tribes of Gaul, before the Christian era, spoke, in the main, various Celtic dialects. The campaigns of Cæsar introduced the popular Latin of the camp and the market, and that to such an extent that the original Celtic dialects were almost entirely superseded, and have left but very slight traces in the modern literary language of France. In the fifth century, various Germanic tribes, especially Franks and Burgundians, who had long harassed the country, invaded it in increased numbers, and established themselves as conquerors; the name of the former tribe being perpetuated in the modern name of the country During the ninth century the northern part of the country was perpetually invaded by Danes or Northmen, to whom Charles the Simple ceded the duchy of Normandy in This introduced some Danish or Norse words, many of which are sea-faring terms. After that date, the principal accessions to the language were, first, 'learned words' introduced from literary Latin, and, at a still later date, from

Greek (excepting some Greek words of an early date, many of which, as in English, are of ecclesiastical origin); secondly, at the time of the Crusades, a certain number of Oriental words; and lastly, in the modern period, after 1500, words introduced from Italian, from Spanish, and even, chiefly in the present century, from English. It has also accepted, like English, several words of Low German origin, and a number of exotic words from many languages.

§ 137. It is worth observing that numerous parallelisms may be drawn (involving, however, certain differences) between the histories of the English and French languages.

In both countries the original inhabitants were Celtic; yet the Celtic element, in both, is quite insignificant.

Just as, in England, the Celtic element 1 was almost completely overpowered by the English, which forms the real basis of the language, so, in France, the same element had widely disappeared before the popular Latin, which forms the real basis of the French language 2. In spite of all additions from a great variety of sources, the English language remains English, and the French remains Latin, as regards grammatical construction. In England the invasions of the Danes brought in many Norse words; France also had its Norman invaders, but they almost at once adopted the language of the invaded country, so that the Norse element in French is inconsiderable. Next, in England, the Norman conquest brought in the French element, which

¹ It must be borne in mind that, in the fifth century, the Celtic element in England was already limited; for the more educated part of the population doubtless spoke Latin, as in France. This fact helps to account for the slightness of the Celtic element in English.

² But it is probable that the peculiar Celtic pronunciation of Latin is the real cause of the difference of French from all other Romance languages in many of its modes of development. Thus the disappearance of the t in L. patrem, as compared with O. F. pedre, pere, F. père, may perhaps be explained by remembering that the Celts aspirated the d in pedre, and the aspirated d (dh) is more apt to vanish.

was, to us, of very great importance. In France the Frankish conquest brought in the German element, but not to such an important extent. Both languages have been considerably recruited by the introduction of 'learned words' from literary Latin, and of Greek ecclesiastical or learned words in Latin spellings; and, especially after the period of the Renaissance, from Greek more directly. Both have been further increased by loans from Oriental languages, from Italian and Spanish, and from various languages of an entirely foreign character. In fact, a considerable number of foreign words have reached us from France, and in a French dress.

§ 138. It thus appears that the chief basis of French is the popular Latin; not the classical Latin of the great ancient poets and orators, but the common Latin of every-day life, the speech brought in by the soldiers, and used in the markets. This was, at the first, an unwritten language, and it had some peculiar words of its own of an unexpected character. Thus, to take some examples from Brachet's Historical French Grammar, the popular word for 'horse' was not equus, but caballus, whence was derived, not only the F. cheval, but the Ital. and Port. cavallo, Span. caballo, Prov. caval, and even the Welsh ceffyl. A 'battle' was not pugna, but battalia, whence F. bataille, the origin of E. battle. 'To beat' was not uerberare, but batuere, whence a vulgar form *battere, the original of O. F. batre, and of E. batter. 'To help' was, in popular speech, not iuuare1, but adiutare or aiutare, whence F. aider, the origin of E. aid. 'To turn' was not usually uertere or uerti, but tornare, whence O.F. torner, the origin of E. turn. So also the E. beau. borrowed from F. beau, O. F. bel, is derived from Lat. bellus, not from formosus. Moreover, the popular Latin had many peculiarities of form and grammar. The F. verb doubler, to

¹ Such is the spelling common in MSS., which the editors of classical works usually turn into *iuvare*, or even *juvare*. The Lat. i was not a j; neither was the consonantal u a v.

double, answers, not to the classical Lat. duplicare, but to the form duplare. The E. razor, M.E. rasour, borrowed from O. F. rasour, answers to a Lat. acc. rasorem: derived. like the popular Latin rasare, from the pp. rasus of the classical verb radere. Almost at every turn we meet with some variation from the classical Latin of the schools; and, unless this be borne in mind, it is impossible to follow the phonetic changes through which French forms have been developed. Over and above this, we must further bear in mind the fact that Middle English forms. being derived from Anglo-French or various Old French forms, preserve many peculiarities which in modern French have disappeared. Thus E. beast, M. E. beste, preserves the s of the A. F. beste (Lat. bestia), which is only represented by a circumflex in the F. bête. In many cases the mod. E. word is older in form than the corresponding mod. F. word by many centuries.

§ 139. It thus becomes plain that some idea of the nature of the popular Latin which forms the basis of French is of much importance; and, in this respect, the famous Dictionary, by Ducange, of Medieval Latin 2, is often of more assistance than the excellent Dictionary of classical Latin by Lewis and Short 3. A general sketch of the condition of the vulgar Latin of Gaul in olden times is given in Schwan's Grammatik des Altfranzösischen; Leipzig, 1888. It is impossible to enter here into particulars; I must beg leave to refer the reader to the work itself, for a detailed account of the vowels and consonants. I give, however,

¹ Not quite the same form as mod. F. rasoir, which answers to Lat. rasorium.

² The latest reprint, edited by L. Favre, Paris, 1884-7, in ten handy quarto volumes, is the most convenient. The single-volume epitome, by Maigne d'Arnis, Paris, 1866, is often useful, but cannot always be relied upon, as it omits the quotations.

³ However, this Dictionary often admits some useful non-classical forms.

several of his results below, and I have borrowed a great many of his useful examples. Another account, in English, will be found in the Introduction to Brachet's Etymological French Dictionary, Third Edition, 1882; but the information is not all of the latest character. Still less valuable is the Introduction to Old French, by F. F. Roget, 1887; a book which 'contains no independent research, and little scientific method;' but it gives some useful hints, especially in the Introduction and in the sketch of Old French Grammar. There is an excellent and scientific summary, in French. of the phonetic laws of the dialect of the Isle of France (or Central French), which is now the literary language of France, in the first forty-two pages of La Langue et la Littérature Françaises, by K. Bartsch and A. Horning; Paris, 1887. From this work I extract the more important remarks on the general laws which govern the development of Central French; for which see § 141 below. Before doing this, it will be useful to make some remarks upon the various languages and dialects of Romance origin.

§ 140. Schwan enumerates eight languages of Latin origin. These are: Italian, Sardinian (which Diez includes in Italian), Roumanian or Wallachian, and Rhæto-romanic or the Roumansch of the canton Grisons in Switzerland, on the South-East; Spanish and Portuguese, to the South-West; and French and Provençal, to the North-West. As regards France, the country was divided, nearly equally, into two well-marked sets of dialects. Those in the south were said to belong to the Langue d'Oc, and those in the north to the Langue d'Oil; because the southerners used oc (Lat. hoc) to mean 'yes,' where the northerners used the word oil (mod. F. oui, from Lat. hoc illic, meaning 'that is so') to signify the same thing. In the south, the literary language took the form known as Provençal, at one time an important language, and famous for its troubadours, but now sunk into a patois like ' the rest. Other southern dialects were the Gascon, the Limou-

sin, the dialects of Béarn, Auvergne, and Dauphiné, Lyonnais. and the dialect of the province of Languedoc, properly so called. In the north, Schwan enumerates seven principal dialects, the Norman, the Picard, the Walloon 1, the dialect of Lorraine, Burgundian, Poitevin, or the dialect of Poitou. and that of the Isle of France. The last is that which I have above called Central French, and which has become the literary language. The Anglo-French, as has been explained already, was a special development, in England, of what was once identical with the Norman. Next to the Norman, an interesting dialect, to us, is the Picard, spoken in Picardy, the province in which are situate Cressy, Boulogne, and Calais, and also (according to Diez) in Artois, in which is situate Agincourt. Part of Picardy was long held by the English, and imports mostly came by way of Calais; with the result that Picard has influenced the forms of some of our French words. It has already been noted that one word. cark, is due to the Picard carker², for which Central F. has charger; and it is a general rule (see Brachet, Hist. Gram. p. 21) that the Lat. ca-, whence comes the Central F. cha-, remains unchanged, i. e. as ca-, in Picard. Our word case, for example, as in packing-case, is from the Picard form casse, not from F. chasse, which is used in the sense of 'shrine'; it is curious that the earliest examples of M. E. case have the sense of 'shrine,' or 'reliquary,' as in French. It is thus, too, that we must explain the difficult word catch, M. E. cacchen, which is derived from the Picard form cachier or cacher, the equivalent of O. F. chacier, mod. F. chasser; the A. F. form was chacer (P. de Thaun, Bestiary, 46), whence mod. E. chase. Hence catch and chase are, after all, merely doublets.

¹ Spoken in parts of Belgium, as in the provinces of Hainault, Namur, Liége, South Brabant, and Western Luxemburg.

² Brachet, Hist. Gram. p. 21, gives the Picard form as *carguer*; but *karker* was the older form; I have already given a reference for it. See the New E. Dict., s. v. *cark*.

See Littré, s. v. chasser. The explanation of the pt. t. caughte, pp. caught, is, that the pt. t. and pp. were formed by formassociation with M. E. lacchen, which had much the same sense, and had the pt. t. laughte, and the pp. laught. the end of the matter was that catch entirely superseded latch in its verbal function, so that latch only survives as a substantive, in the sense of a 'catch' on a door. Perhaps it is worth while to add, by way of warning, that the F. campagne (whence E. campaign), was not taken in, as Brachet says, from the Picard dialect, but rather borrowed from the Ital. campagna, a field. It was, to use Brachet's own expression (see Etym. Dict. p. xxi) one of the 'Italian words, brought in by the Italian wars' in the sixteenth century. the same way the F. canceller, whence our verb to cancel, was not from Picard, but was a mere 'learned word,' adapted from the Law-Latin cancellare; and the F. carte, which we have turned into card, by voicing the t to d, was borrowed from Ital. carta; for playing-cards were already in use, in Italy, at the end of the thirteenth century. These examples may further serve to show what care is necessary in tracing the history of words, and the mode in which they were transferred from one language to another.

§ 141. I now return to the consideration of some of the chief general laws that regulate the development of Central French sounds; which I copy, almost entirely and with very slight alteration, from Horning's introduction to Bartsch's work; see § 139.

Definitions and symbols. A vowel is called *free* (*libre*) when it ends a word or is followed by another vowel, or by a single consonant and a vowel, or by one of the groups pr, br, tr, dr, and a vowel; as the accented vowels in ubi, amáre, pátrem, lép(o)rem, $héd(e)ram^1$. A vowel is called *enclosed* (enclosed)

¹ Schwan adds that the vowel is free in monosyllables, as in cor, tres, mel, fel; which became, in O. F. cuer, treis, miel, fiel. Observe that lép'rem, héd'ram, are the true 'folk-Latin' forms; see note 2, p. 189.

 $trav\acute{e}$) when it is followed by any other group of consonants, like the a in astrum or campus.

The consonant which follows the last vowel (supposed to be unaccented) in a word, is never counted as causing a vowel to be enclosed. Thus in the Lat. $f \notin r(i)t$, $v \notin l(e)t$, which become in O. F. fiert, valt, the ℓ and \acute{a} are not enclosed.

Open syllables are those which end with a free vowel, as u-bi, ama-re, pa-trem; closed syllables are such as end in a consonant, as as-trum, cam-pus.

An apostrophe is used to mark the loss of a vowel; as fac're < facere.

An asterisk is prefixed to hypothetical forms of Low Latin words (latin vulgaire). Ex. *battere, for battere; see p. 184.

The symbol y (=G.j in jahr, E.y in you) is used to denote the consonantal i. The symbols ϱ , ϱ , are used to denote, respectively, the open e in mordre and the open e in bel. The symbols ϱ , ϱ , are used to denote, respectively, the close e in pauvre and the close e in ele (variant of ele, a key; see Littré). (Other symbols are e0, e0 for the open, and e0, e1 for the close sounds.)

§ 142. Vowels. (1) The Latin tonic accent and the accented vowel remain in French: amáre > amér; filius > filz; ámant > aiment.

Most French nouns are derived, as is well known, from the form of the Latin accusative 1; thus raison is from rationem, chaleur from calorem. The most important exceptions to the law of the persistence of the accent are the following.

(a) Classical Latin accented the following words as marked, viz. cólubra, íntegrum, pálpebra; but folk-Latin²

¹ So also in Italian, Spanish, etc.; cf. Ital. nationem, Sp. nacion, Port. nação = naçao(n), F. nation; all from Lat. acc. nationem.

² Horning has 'le latin vulgaire'; Schwan has 'Volkslatein.' I propose 'folk-Latin' as a most convenient substitute for 'Low-Latin.' It may be denoted by the symbol 'f-L.,' or 'fL.,' or 'F. L.' I employ the last of these.

had colobra > couleuvre; intégrum > entier 1; palpétra 2 > paupière.

- (b) ĕ, ĭ, and ŭ, when in an antepenultimate syllable and preceding a short vowel, cannot receive an accent in folk-Latin. Where Latin has capréolus, lusciníolus, filíolus, parietem, battúere, French has chevreuil from capreólum, filleul from filiólum, parei (in the Romance of Tristan) from par'étem, and battre from bátt'ere. The e and i were changed into y (capryólum, filyólum); the i and u of parietem and battuere disappeared.
- (c) Folk-Latin, unlike classical Latin, accented amáverunt³, cantáverunt, mórdere, tórquere, plácere, tácere as here marked; this explains the F. forms amèrent, chantèrent, mordre, tordre, plaire, taire.
- 2. Enclosed tonic [accented] vowels are treated differently from free tonic vowels in this respect, that they are not subject to diphthongisation, at least in most of the Romance dialects. But enclosure modifies neither their nature nor their quality. The open o of mordere does not become close o because it occurs before rd, nor does the close o of tornare become open before rn. That is to say, the theory which makes vowels 'long by position' does not apply. The fact which proves that such enclosure does not alter the quality of tonic vowels is, that in certain dialects e and o become diphthongs, even when enclosed. Certain Lorraine dialects have fié, iron, from ferrum; tierre, earth, from terra; mouóde, to bite, from mordere; and touóde, to twist, from torquere. This diphthongisation of enclosed open o and e in certain dialects is one of the proofs which assists science in establishing the nature of these vowels.

² Littré gives palpetra as a variant of palpebra, but adduces no authority; cf. Diez, Etym. Wörterb., 4th ed., p. 726; 5th ed., p. 738.

¹ Cf. Ital. intero; Sp. entero; E. entire (from French).

⁸ Whilst it is best to spell *amauerunt* with the consonantal u (w) in Latin, it is also well to write *amaverunt* in folk-Latin, which changed the old u into v.

- 3. The essential character of a vowel, on which depend the modifications to which it is subject, is its quality or tone (son, timbre). As for the duration of a sound, i. e. its quantity, it plays but a secondary part, which has not been precisely defined. Folk-Latin puts no difference between Latin \check{a} and \bar{a} ; confuses \bar{e} and \check{i} under one sound, viz. close e; and \bar{o} and \check{u} under one sound, viz. close o; whilst \check{e} and \check{o} have become open e and open o.
- 4. Diphthongs are distinguished as falling diphthongs and rising diphthongs. A falling (decreasing) diphthong is one in which an accented vowel is followed by an adventitious vowel (i or u), as in faire (facere), pláist (placet), avéir (habere). Fáire and pláist assonate (i. e. correspond in vowel-sound) with words having pure a, which proves that the i was originally a sound apart from the a. A rising (increasing) diphthong is composed of an accented vowel preceded by an adventitious vowel; as in pié (pedem); buôna (bona) in the first line of the Cantilène de Sainte Eulalie.
- 5. French does not admit of triphthongs. They are reduced to diphthongs by eliminating the medial vowel, even if it originally had the touic accent; thus nueit (noctem) became nuit; cieire (ceram) became cire; giais (iaceo) became gis; lieit (lectum) became lit.
 - 6. Non-accented or atonic vowels disappear in certain cases.
- (a) The last vowel of a Latin word regularly disappears, except in the case of a; cf. clef (clauem); O. F. aim (amo); dit (dictum); aime (amat). But there are three sets of exceptions. The first comprises only a few dissyllables in which the atonic u (or o) remains, when preceded by a vowel; as in meum (whence mieon, mien, mon²), deus (whence deus, dieus), duos (whence O. F. dous, deus). The second comprises such dissyllables as père (pa-trem), lièvre (le-p'rem), fièvre (fe-

¹ Compare E. short open e and o in set, not.

² Méum, with full stress, gives mieon, mien; meum, in proclitic use, gives mon.

brem); where the groups tr, pr, br which do not belong to the former free syllable require the support of the vowel e. The third set it is more difficult to define; it comprises trisyllables such as O. F. pulce (pulicem, F. puce), asnes, adnes (asinos, F. anes), herse (*erpicem, for hirpicem). The difficulty is to say why the groups lc, sn, rs have a supporting e, whilst chald (calidum, F. chaud), vert (uiridem) have none. It is probably because the i of calidum and uiridem disappeared by syncope, very early; so that caldum, virdem naturally lost the atonic vowel, like all dissyllables not included in the second set. In pulicem, asinum, on the contrary, the syncope of i took place much later, so that the law which regulated the loss of atonic vowels in dissyllables did not apply, and the groups lc, sn, rs required the support of the final e. The words rage (rabiem), rouge (rubeum), O. F. eage (aetaticum, F. dge, E. age), have a final e, because the palatal g (like ch) could not be final in French 1.

- (b) The penultimate vowel of every word that is accented on the antepenultimate disappears; thus cúmulum gives comble; cogito gives cuit (later cuide); cubitum gives coude: as if from cum'lum, cog'to, cub'tum.
- (c) In a word of more than three syllables, the vowel preceding the tonic syllable disappears, whether it be short or long: thus O. F. maisniée 2 < *mansionatam; mangier (now manger) < mandūcare; vergogne < verēcundiam; corvèe < corrogatam; bonté < bonitatem; barnage < *baronaticum; except when the vowel is preserved by help of a group of consonants, as in O. F. sospeçon < suspectionem (whence also A. F. suspeciun, E. suspicion). A is the only vowel which resists such disappearance, though it constantly becomes e;

¹ And so, in English, to this day, we must not write j for the final j-sound; we keep the symbol ge (or dge) in judge, age, rage, though the e is no longer sounded.

² Hence M. E. meinee (for meisnee), a household; preserved in the E. adj. menial.

- as in O.F. sairement (F. serment) < sagramentum (for Lat. sacramentum); marcheant (F. marchand) < mercatantem (cf. A.F. marchant, merchant, E. merchant); O.F. paremenz (M. E. par-e-ments, as in Chaucer, Squi. Ta. 269, meaning 'ornaments'; from Lat. parare).
- (d) The atonic vowel in the first syllable of a word remains; as in maturum > meur; securum > seur; caballum > cheval. The mod. F. forms mûr, sûr result from a later contraction. In O.F., we find reuser, with hiatus, from Lat. recusare; this became mod. F. ruser, whence E. ruse, a verbal sb. See ruser in Littré.
- 7. A hiatus occurring in an original Latin word usually disappears in French. In lusciniolum, capreolum, the i and e were changed into a consonantal v, giving luscinvolum, capryolum (F. rossignol, chevreuil). In somniare, abbreviare, the i combines with the preceding consonant so as to form a palatal g; hence F. songer, abréger. In quietum, which became coi (E. coy), and in parietem, which became parei, now paroi, the i has disappeared. In battuere, which became battre (E. batter), the u has disappeared; in Ianuarium, which became Janvier, it is changed to v. The hiatus remains in deum, F. dieu; and in suavem, O.F. soef. It remains, also, in a large number of words of 'learned' origin, such as nation, vision, fusion, glorieux, chrétien. [For fusion, a 'popular' form occurs in A. F. foisun, Shakespeare's foison, abundance. Hence also arise several doublets, such as benediction, benison, &c.]
 - 8. The following is the order of vowels in the vocal scale:
- i e e e a e o u.

 This shows that a could not pass into e without passing through e, nor into e without passing through e.
- § 143. Consonants. 9. Consonants are divided into different groups, named after the organs which help to articulate them. The palatals are c, g, q; the dentals, t, d, n, s, z, j, ch, l; the labials, p, b, f, v, m; the nasals, m, n. It

is especially necessary to note the difference, in the first three groups, between the surd or voiceless consonants, c, t, ch, s, p, f, and the sonant or voiced consonants, g, d, j, z, b, v. [See vol. i. p. 346; the F. ch is now our sh, and the F. j is now our (zh), though they once had the same sounds as with us.]

- ro. Initial consonants undergo no change, as in père (patrem), toit (tectum); or, if modified, they still remain voiceless, or voiced, as at first. Hence we have cheval (caballum), joie (gaudia). A solitary exception is seen in fois (vicem), where the voiced v has become the voiceless f.
- rr. A single medial consonant, occurring between two vowels, either disappears, as in meur, now mûr (maturum), veoir, now voir (videre); or else is voiced, as in cheveu (capillum); or becomes a voiced fricative sound, as in cheval (caballum). L, m, n, r are not included in this law.
- 12. The final (single) consonant of a word, as pronounced when it stands alone, or when the next word begins with a vowel, is always voiceless. Hence boven has become bœuf; ovum has become œuf; grandem became grant (now spelt grand). French, like many other languages, dislikes a voiced consonant at the end of a word. [The treatment of s is exceptional. In nous venons, the former s is dropped; in nous avons, it is voiced.]
- 13. In a group of three consonants, the middle one often disappears, as in O. F. suscher, cf. souchier (Ducange, ix. 361), to suspect, from suspicare (sus(p)'care); blasmer, F. blamer, E. blame, from blasphemare (blas(ph)'mare); O. F. forment < fortment; O. F. oste, M. E. oste, E. host, from hospitem (hos(p)'tem); O. F. esmer, from aestimare (aes(t)'mare). In such groups, we must except ntr, ndr, rdr, ncr, mbl, and above all str. Cf. O. F. nuitantre (noctant'r = noctanter), by night; vendre (vendere), whence E. vend;

¹ This does not apply to English. We have turned F. carte into card. The F. words cab, club, brig, grog, are borrowed from English.

cendre (cin[d]'rem < cinerem); perdre (perdere); ancre (ancoram); ambler (amb'lare = ambulare), whence E. amble. Str frequently arises from an intercalated t between s and r; as in O. F. croistre, F. croitre (cres(c)'re = crescere); O. F. paistre, F. paitre (pas(c)'re = pascere). Indeed, str is so agreeable to the F. language that it is introduced into words where it has no etymological authority; as in O. F. celestre (caelestem); O. F. tristre (tristem); O. F. salmistre (psalmistam). [Hence the intrusive r in E. alchemister (M. E. alchemistre), barrister (= barristre), chorister (= choristre), &c. See Phil. Soc. Trans. Nov. 7, 1884.]

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- 14. Double consonants are reduced, in pronunciation and often in writing, to a single consonant; as in O. F. letre, F. lettre, whence E. letter, from Lat. litteram; nul, E. null, from Lat. nullum; O. F. tur, A. F. tour, E. tower, from Lat. turrem; O. F. sufrir, F. souffrir, E. suffer [from *sufferire, for sufferre].
- § 144. Exceptions to phonetic laws. 15. Since phonetic laws operate like physical ones, the same sounds ought always, under the same conditions, to go through the same changes. Nevertheless, there are numerous exceptions; yet they are not due to chance, but to secondary laws which interfere to counteract the primary ones, and which science does not always succeed in explaining. Most of the exceptions, however, can be explained in one of the ways following.
- (a) In a large number of cases it is the principle of analogy which has modified the action of phonetic laws. Whilst ámo, ámas, ámat became in Old French, regularly, aime, aimes, aimet [now aime], it happened that amámus and amátis became, no less regularly, amons, amez. But it was an obvious suggestion that the conjugation should be simplified, and made more apparently regular; hence amons, amez became aimons, aimez, to suit the rest. The influence of analogy is peculiarly powerful in this matter of conjugation;

but instances also occur elsewhere. Thus the O. F. ned, nor, which cannot regularly be derived from Lat. nec, seems to have been formed by analogy with O. F. qued (quod). Both forms occur in the Cantilène de Sainte Eulalie.

- (b) We must not forget that the forms of words are partly determined by the position which they occupy in the sentence. It has been said that the linguistic unit is not the word, but the sentence. Thus we say lez hommes where les precedes a vowel, but le(s) maisons before a consonant. So, in O. F. we find em prison for en prison, because the en precedes a labial: cf. E. imprison. The pronouns nós, vós should have become, regularly, neus, veus. But they often occur before words with which they are more or less closely combined; and, in such a case, the o no longer had the tonic accent, so that it became, regularly, ou instead of eu. Hence the forms nous, vous supplanted the O. F. neus, veus (which represented the accented nos, vos) so early and so completely, that the latter are not to be found. Again, it is by its very common use as a proclitic that we explain the short form of the word sire (senior), whence E. sire, sir, which became, regularly. sendra, in the Strasbourg Oaths of A.D. 842. An attempt has been made to account in the same way for the change of o to a in the O. F. danz (dominus). This is the M. E. dan, as occurring in the phrase 'dan Chaucer.'
- (c) By virtue of the law of dissimilation, the language avoids the repetition of the same sound at too close an interval. Hence folk-Latin used the form cinque for quinque, whence F. cinq and the Tudor E. sink. So also F. has le rossignol instead of le lossignol, and faible instead of flaible (flebilem). The latter is the same word as the A. F. feble and the E. feeble.

By virtue of the contrary principle, that of assimilation, the language sometimes prefers a repetition of the same sound; hence the O. F. cerchier (circare), has become F. chercher. The A. F. form was sercher, whence E. search.

(d) A large number of F. words never formed part of the ordinary speech of the people, but were borrowed. at various times, from literary Latin. Such words never underwent the same changes as the popular words. Thus the Lat. facilem, nationem, miraculum, which have given rise to F. facile, nation, miracle, would have given, in popular speech, such forms as faisle, naison, mirail. It has even happened that a word, after first passing into the language in a 'popular' form, has done so again in a 'learned' form. Such is the origin of the terms which have been called doublets. Thus integrum has produced both entier and intègre; rationem has produced both raison and ration; factionem, both façon and faction. [And such doublets have sometimes passed into English also; we also have both reason and ration, fashion and faction.] Lastly, some phonetic laws are more powerful than others, and make their operation felt for a longer time. Hence, in the words estuide (F. étude) from studium, and charité (whence E. charity) from caritatem, the s and c were treated according to the laws of popular formation, whilst the rest of these words was treated as if they were of learned origin, which was the fact. Cf. F. cherté, also from caritatem, as exhibiting the popular form.

Exceptions to the general law of derivation from Lat. accusatives appear in a small number of words which preserve the Lat. nominative. Amongst these are F. Charles, from L. Carolus; F. fils, A. F. fiz, E. fitz, from L. filius; lis, as in fleur-de-lis, from F. L. lilius, for L. lilium; &c.

Other noticeable points are: the use of neuters plural as feminines singular, the use of inceptive verbs, the derivation of E. verbs from the present tense indicative, &c., &c.

§ 145. For a careful and detailed account of the vowels and consonants, I must refer the reader to Horning's own work; or he may consult the Preface to Brachet's Etymological Dictionary, in the third edition (1882). I add,

however, a few notes upon some of the points of most importance.

In the folk-Latin from which Central French is derived, the vowels actually in use were fewer than in the classical Latin. Thus the Latin long and short a (\bar{a} , \check{a}) were treated alike; and the Latin short e and the diphthong e were both pronounced alike, viz. as an open e. The correspondences of the vowels of Latin with those of folk-Latin are shown by the following table:

Latin

$$\bar{a}$$
, \check{a}
 \check{e} , \hat{e}
 \bar{e} , \hat{e} , \hat{e}
 \bar{i}
 \bar{i}
 \check{o}
 \bar{o} , \check{u}
 \bar{u}
 au

 Folk-Latin
 a
 e
 e
 i
 o
 o
 u
 ω

It is from the vowels in the *lower* line that we really have to start when we investigate the vowel-changes that have taken place in Central French.

The symbol ω , used by Schwan to represent the F. L. sound of the Lat. au, denotes a kind of open o. That it did not precisely agree with the sound of o, appears from the fact that it was not developed in quite the same way. This best appears by considering a few examples. Thus, from the Lat. novum we have O. F. nuef, F. neuf; and from the Lat. cor we have O. F. cuer, F. cœur. On the other hand, from the Lat. causam we have F. chose, and from the Lat. aurum we have F. or.

I here exhibit a Table showing the *principal* changes that have taken place in the Latin vowel-sounds, and giving their *usual* equivalents in modern French. It is only a general guide, but is better than none. It explains a considerable number of the modern F. forms, but does not pretend to solve the many difficulties of modern F. philology. The use of this Table is fully illustrated by the select examples given on pp. 200–204; where each of the horizontal lines is discussed separately.

(8) au	(7) ū	(6) ō, ŭ	(5) ŏ	(4) 1	(3) ē, ĭ	(2) ĕ, æ	(I) ă, ā	Latin.
au, o	=	۰	8	μ.	·o	8	æ	Folk-Latin.
8	£	{ (ou) eu	{ (ue) eu	μ,	{ (ei) oi	€ ie	е	1. FREE TONIC,
	u	0	0	μ.	2.	ie	a.	2. With nasal.
çi.	₽.		ㅌ.	μ,	۳.	ie	{ ie	3. With y (pala- talised).
	Ħ.					Æ.	ie	4. Nasal (and palatalised).
						⊢ ı	1	5. Between two
٥	n	oo.	ou o	۳.	ę	93	ħ	6. Enclosed Tonic.
•		0	a 0	₩.	{ (a) e	a e	ħ	7. With nasal.
		ο.	E.		Q. <u>Q</u> .	μ.	ai.	8. With y (palatalised).
		요.	2.		Ω.		원.	g. Nasal (and palatalised).
ou	u	(o)	ou o	~î·	a o	~~~ €	e a	10. Atonic.
		0			P	e	ħ	11. With nasal.
2.	Ħ.	٥,			{ (ei) oi, i	{ (ei) oi, i	a, ai	12. With y (pala- talised).
		{ (ou)			{ u eu	E	ou	13. With w or v (labialised),

As has been already said, the vowels with dots below them are *close*, and those with hooks below them are *open*. Vowels and diphthongs within marks of parenthesis are O. F.; or (in the case of nasal e only) refer to the pronunciation.

The phrase 'with y' means that there is often a development (under certain circumstances) of a parasitic or epenthetic y-sound, due to palatalisation, which always becomes i and helps to form a diphthong. The development of this y is extremely common, and is not always easy to explain. It frequently arises after the sound of k; and even before it. Thus L. carum became *kyer (O. F. kier), *kyier, *tshier, O. F. chier (with ch as in E.); F. cher: the change from a to e being regular. L. placet became O. F. plaist, F. plaît.

Examples. In the following examples, the numbers refer to the lines and columns in the above table. F. L. = Folk-Latin. (1) means *line* 1; 1. means *column* 1.

(1) L. ă, ā; F. L. a. Free. 1. L. clarum, A. F. cler, E. clear; L. parem, equal, A. F. per, E. peer. 2. L. vanum, A. F. vain, E. vain. 3. L. caput, A. F. chief, E. chief, F. chef. 4. L. paganum, O. F. *paiien > F. paien; we find A. F. paenime for L. paganismum, heathen country; whence E. paynim, by a transference of sense. L. decanum, O. F. *deiien > deien, A. F. dein, dēn, E. dean¹. 5. L. iacet, O. F. *gi(a)ist > gist; whence E. gist, i.e. `where it lies'; F. git².

Enclosed. 6. L. vallem, A. F. val, E. vale. L. passum, A. F. pas, E. pace, sb. L. rabiem>*rabyem, A. F. rage, E. rage; L. laqueum>*lakyum, A. F. laz, E. lace. 7. L. ambulo = *amb'lo, A. F. amble, E. amble. L. cameram>*cam'ram, A. F. chambre (also chaumbre), E. chamber. 8. L. radium>*ra(d)yum, A. F. rai, E. ray. Also (with

¹ In paganum, the g produced y>i, and an after the y-sound became ien; hence *pai-ien. In decanum, ϵ produced y>i, and an, as before, became ien; hence *dei-ien.

² Here L. i(y) became dy > j, represented by gi; and cet became st, at the same time developing a precedent i (§ 146); hence *gi-a-ist, which became *gi-ist by § 142 (5), and, by contraction, produced gist.

primary accent): L. tractat, A. F. traite, trete, E. treat. L. pacat, O. F. *paiie > paye, E. pay. 9. L. sanctum, O. F. saint, E. saint. Atonic. 10. L. ab-ante, F. avant, E. avant; L. maturum, O. F. mëur, F. mûr (ripe); L. bellä, F. belle. 11. L. manere, to dwell, A. F. maner, manoir (a place to dwell in), E. manor. L. clamorem, A. F. clamour, E. clamour. L. amorem, F. amour. 12. L. călorem, F. chaleur. Low L. căballum, F. cheval; hence E. chevalier, and chivalry (M. E. chevalrie). L. rationem > *ratyonem, A. F. raison, reison, rēson, E. reason. L. adiutare, O. F. aidier, A. F. and F. aider, E. aid. 13. L. clauum (=clawum), F. clou.

(2) L. ĕ, æ; F. L. ę. Free. 1. L. brěvem, A. F. brief, bref, E. brief, F. bref; L. Dĕus, O. F. Dieus, F. dieu; hence E. adieu. 2. L. běne, F. bien. 3. L. cælum, F. ciel. 4. L. genus, O. F. giens. 5. L. děcem, O. F. *di(e)is, dis, F. dix (cf. Ital. dieci)¹.

Enclosed. 6. L. běllum, O. F. bel (now also beau), fem. belle; E. beau, belle. Low L. præstum, ready, O. F. prest, Tudor E. prest, whence E. press-gang (for prest-gang). 7. L. templum, F. temple, E. temple; but in F. temple the e is pronounced as a. L. servientem (servyentem), A. F. seriant, E. serjeant; O.F. seriant, sergent, F. sergent. 8. L. mědium (medyum), F. mi (in midi); so also F. L. dimedium, F. demi, E. demy? Atonic. 10. L. gělata, O. F. gelee, E. jelly (F. gelée). L. lěonem, F. lion, E. lion. 11. L. venire, F. venir. 12. L. prěcare, A. F. preier, E. pray; also O. F. proier, F. prier. L. mědianum, O. F. meiien, moiien, F. moyen. 13. L. stetit, F. L. *stetuit > *stewit, O. F. estut.

(3) L. ē, ĭ; F. L. e. **Free**. 1. L. vēlum, A. F. veile, E. veil; F. voile. L. fidem, O. F. feid (=feiß?), fei, M. E feith, fey; E. faith, fay (in by my fay); F. foi. L. bibere, O. F.

¹ Here parasitic i occurs after d, and before c; hence *dieis; and, by § 142 (5), dis. The former i results from the law, as in brief.

² Here medyum drops d, so that e is palatalised by the y, and becomes i. Note that L. dimidium = F. L. dimedium.

beivre, A. F. bevre, prov. E. bever (a drink); cf. E. beverage; F. boire. 2. L. vēnam, A. F. veine, E. vein; F. veine. L. poenam, A. F. and M. E. peine, E. pain; F. peine. 3. L. mercēdem, F. merci, E. mercy. 5. L. racēmum, F. raisin (for *raisi-ein), E. raisin, Enclosed. 6. L. debitam (deb'tam), O. F. dete. A. F. dette. M. E. dette, now spelt debt. L. viridem (vir'dem), F. vert, E. vert (in heraldry). 7. L. findere, to cleave, F. fendre; whence F. fente, verbal sb., a cleft, M. E. fente, a cleft, E. vent, an opening for air, air-hole, &c. 8. L. trichila, tricla, an arbour, F. treille; whence F. treillis, E. trellis, lattice-work. L. strictum, A. F. estreit, narrow, E. strait; F. étroit. F. L. mirabilia, for L. mirabilia, neut. pl. treated as fem. sing., A. F. and M. E. merveille, E. marvel (with ar for er). 9. L. incinctam, F. and E. enceinte. Atonic. 10. F. L. dĭlūvium, for L. dīlūvium, A. F. deluge, E. deluge. Low L. *bilancia, a pair of scales, from L. bilanx, two-scaled: A. F. balance, E. balance. 11. L. inimicum, O. F. enemi, E. enemy; F. ennemi. L. intrare, F. entrer, E. enter. L. im-, in-, as prefixes, F. and E. em-, en-. 12. L. licere, A. F. leisir, M. E. leisir, now E. leisure; F. loisir. L. plicare, O. F. pleier, ploier, plier, M. E. plien, E. ply; also L. implicare, A. F. enpleier, O. F. emploier, E. employ. 13. L. debuit (dēbwit), F. dut.

(4) L. ī; F. L. i. This vowel remains unaltered. Free.

1. L. vīlem, F. vil, E. vile. 2. L. spīnam, thorn; O. F. espine, E. spine. L. fīnem, A. F. fin, E. fine; cf. F. fin, with nasal sound of i. 3. Late L. camīsiam (of doubtful origin), F. chemise, E. chemise. Enclosed. 6. L. tibia > tibya; F. tige. 7. L. principem, A. F. prince, E. prince. Atonic. 10. L. vīvenda, A. F. viande, Ē. viand. But the principle of dissimilation changes ī to e in L. dīmidium, F. demi, E. demy; L. dīvisare, A. F. deviser, E. devise.

¹ See Thurneysen, Kelto-Romanisches, p. 52; and Hemd in Kluge's Germ. Etym. Dict. The F. word seems to be borrowed from Celtic, and the Celtic word from very primitive Teutonic.

- (5) L. ŏ; F. L. o. Free. 1. L. novem, O. F. nuef, F. neuf. L. bovem, O. F. buef, F. bouf (for beuf); but A. F. boef, bef, E. beef. L. *probam, O. F. prueve, F. preuve. 2. L. tonum, F. ton, E. tone. L. sonum, F. son; but A. F. soun, whence E. sound. 3. L. corium (=coryum), F. cuir; whence L. coriacea, F. cuirasse, E. cuirass. Enclosed, 6. L. solido (sol'do), O. F. solde, soude; cf. E. solder (sod er). L. torno, F. tourne, E. turn. 7. L. computare, F. conter; but A. F. counter, E. count, to reckon. L. comitem, F. conte; but A. F. counte, E. count. L. dominam, F. dame, E. dame; cf. E. damsel. L. domitare, A. F. danter, E. daunt. 8. L. ostrea (ostria), of Greek origin; O. F. uistre, F. huître; but A. F. oistre, E. oyster. 9. L. cognitum, O. F. cointe; but A. F. queinte, E. quaint. Atonic. 10. L. honorem, A. F. honour, E. honour; F. honneur. L. coronam, A. F. coronne, E. crown (for corown); F. couronne. L. movere, A. F. mover, muver, E. move; F. mouvoir. (With secondary accent); L. völuntatem, F. volonté.
- (6) L. ō, ŭ; F. L. o. Free. 1. L. honōrem, A. F. honour, E. honour; F. honneur. L. pietōsum, A. F. and M. E. pitous (E. piteous); F. piteux. 2. L. leonem, F. lion, E. lion. Enclosed. 6. L. turrem, O. F. tor, tour, A. F. tour, E. tower. 7. L. numerum, F. nombre; A. F. numbre, noumbre, M. E. noumbre, E. number; with excrescent b. 8. L. glōriam, A. F. glorie, E. glory; but F. gloire. L. memōriam, A. F. memorie, E. memory; but F. mémoire, whence E. memoir. 9. L. punctum, F. point, E. point. L. căneum, A. F. coing, coin, E. coin; cf. F. coin. Atonic. 10. L. dōtare, F. douer. L. sōlatium, F. soulas (obs.); but A. F. solas, M. E. solas, E. solace. 11. L. nămerare (num'rare), F. nombrer, with excrescent b; A. F. numbrer, noumbrer, M. E. noumbren, E. number. 12. L. pōtionem, A. F. poison, E. poison. L. otiosum, F. oiseux. 13. L. focum, O. F. fou, F. feu; L. iocum, O. F. iou, F. jeu.
- (7) L. ū; F. L. u. Free. 1. L. curam, F. cure, E. cure. 2. L. lunam, F. lune; cf. E. lunar. 3. L. fructum; F. fruit,

- E. fruit. 4. L. Iunium, F. Juin. Enclosed. 6. L. pūtidam, put dam, O. F. pute. Atonic. 10. L. humanum, F. humain. 12. L. lucentem, F. luisant.
- (8) L. au; F. L. au, o. I. L. causam, F. chose. L. pauperem, O. F. and M. E. povre; whence E. poverty; the mod. F. pauvre shows a Latinised spelling. 3. L. gaudia, neut. pl. as fem. sing., A. F. ioie, E. joy. Enclosed. 6. L. fabricam, F. L. fauricam, F. forge, E. forge. 7. L. auunculum, F. L. aunculum, F. oncle; A. F. uncle, E. uncle. Atonic. 10. L. laudare, F. louer. 12. L. audiatis, hear ye, O. F. oiez, A. F. oyez, E. o-yes. L. avicellum, F. L. aucellum, O. F. oisel, F. oiseau.

It will be understood that there are several exceptions to the above usual changes. Also, that these laws do not apply to Latin 'learned' words, which preserve the Latin forms much more exactly. Thus the Lat. miraculum, mirac'lum would have produced a y-sound from the guttural c, and the O. F. form would have been mirail; see line (1), col. 8 in the table; just as L. gubernaculum has become F. gouvernail. Hence F. miracle is a learned word; and so in other cases.

CHAPTER XI.

FRENCH WORDS OF LATIN ORIGIN.

THE CONSONANTS.

§ 146. Consonants. In vol. i, § 322, p. 350, I give some account of the principal methods by which consonantal changes are effected in English. I here make notes of the principal consonantal changes that have taken place in French. Cf. § 143. Here again, I only note some of the principal results, without explanations; for these I must refer the reader to Horning and Schwan.

History of K. The Latin c was sounded as k before all vowels, e and i included. But, in the Romance languages, ce and ci are usually treated very differently from ca, co, cu; in French even ca has a peculiar development.

Initially. Ca. Cf. § 143 (10). Ca > O. F. and A. F. cha (chaa) > F. cha (shaa). Exx. L. camera > A. F. chambre, E. chamber; F. chambre. L. cantare > A. F. chanter, E. chant; F. chanter. L. caput > A. F. chief, E. chief. This O. F. ch (ch) was sometimes voiced to (j), written g; as in L. caveola(m), A. F. gaole, E. gaol (F. geôle). The a is weakened to i in L. caryophyllum (from Gk. καρυόφυλλου, lit. 'nut-leaf,' a clovetree), O. F. girofle, varied to gilofre (Liber Albus, p. 230); out of which English has made gilliflower. Cf. F. girofle.

Initially. Ce, Ci. The symbols ce, ci are retained, but the sound of c was changed from that of k to ts, and, soon afterwards, to that of s, as at present. Exx. L. centum, F. cent; whence the learned word centuria(m), F. centurie, E. century. L. civitatem, A. F. and M. E. cite, E. city, F. cite.

Initially. Co, Cu. The cremains initially; as in L. cursum, folk-L. corsu(m), A. F. cours, E. course. L. cor, O. F. cuer, cor. E. core. L. cura. A. F. cure. E. cure. L. coxa (with open o), F. cuisse, thigh; E. cuisse, thigh-piece; cf. 'cuissaux. cuisses, armour for the thighs,' Cotgrave. L. cauda, folk-L. coda, F. queue (where qu is used for the k-sound); E. queue.

Medially. Ca. Cf. § 143 (11). The Lat. inter-vocalic c was sometimes voiced in popular speech, giving pagare, logare, for pacare, locare. In pagare, the g was palatalised to y; hence F. payer, E. pay. L. implicare > folk-L. emplegare > F. employer, whence E. employ. Lat. achatem, acc. of achates (= acates), borrowed from Gk. $d\chi d\tau \eta s$, has the c voiced, giving A. F. and E. agate. L. ca, after a consonant, becomes chie, che, where the ch had first the A. F. sound (ch) and afterwards the F. sound (sh). Thus L. collocare > coll'care > O. F. couchier, A. F. coucher, E. couch. Late L. marcare (sense doubtful) became O. F. marchier, marcher, E. march, to walk with regular steps. The O. H. G. zucchōn, to draw quickly. pull, snatch, answers to an older form * toccon, whence Late Lat. * toccare (= Ital. toccare), giving rise to A. F. tocher, toucher; whence E. touch. See zucchon in Schade. The medial c altogether disappears between two vowels in L. advocare, F. avouer, A. F. avower, E. avow. Hence also, from L. advocationem, A. F. avoëson, avouëson, E. avowson, or, with intercalated d, advowson; the d being due to Lat. ad. L. replicare, O. F. replier, E. reply.

Medially. Ce, Ci. Medial ce, ci, if preceding the accented syllable, usually become z (written s), which is both preceded and followed by the vowel i. L. nocere > 0. F. * nuizir, written nuisir (see Littré, s. v. nuire); hence E. nuisance, in which the accent has changed the sound of the written s from z to s. L. racemum, F. raisin, E. raisin. If ce follows an accented syllable, it becomes O. F. s (or ts, written z) preceded by i; this s is now written as F. x. Lat. pace(m), O. F. pais, A. F. pees, M. E. pees, E. peace. L. voce(m), O. F. and

A. F. voiz, M. E. vois, E. voice (where ce stands for final voiceless s). If a t follows this ce, then the cet becomes simply st; hence L. iacet, he lies, becomes * jiaist, or (by the regular loss of a between two i's), jist, written gist in O. F.: this is the origin of E. gist, i.e. 'where it lies.' In the case of L. facit > F. fait, the i early disappeared by syncope, whilst the c became palatalised to i (p. 200). So also L. gracile(m) > O. F.graile, fine, small; this is Spenser's graile, fine particles; F. Q. i. 7. 6 (F. gréle). L. placitum > A. F. plait, plai, M. E. plee, E. plea. L. decimum > O. F. disme, also dime (after the s before m had become silent); whence E. dime. After another consonant c usually became ts, later s, both written c. L. mercedem, A. F. merci, E. mercy. L. dominicellu(m). dom'nicellu(m), A. F. dancel, a young man; the fem. was dancelle; cf. E. damsel. L. hirpicem, irpicem, a harrow. folk-Lat. erpece(m), F. herce, E. hearse (see my Dictionary). Late Lat. baccinum, F. bacin, E. basin. Late Lat. vascellum (dimin. of Lat. uas), O. F. vaissel, A. F. vessel, E. vessel (F. vaisseau). In L. duodecim, F. L. doodecim, dod'cim, O. F. doze, twelve, the c(>s) is voiced to z, by the influence of the preceding d; hence A. F. dozeine, E. dozen. Ci between two vowels became ts, later s (written c); as in L. faciem, F. face, E. face; L. solacium, A. F. solaz, solas, solace, E. solace.

Medially. Co, Cu. Co, cu, after a consonant, remain; or, if the vowel is dropped, the c remains. L. falconem, O. F. falcon, A. F. falcon, falcun, later faucon; M. E. faucon, E. falcon, with l restored in our spelling, but not pronounced. L. porcum, F. porc, A. F. pork, E. pork.

In cu, after a vowel, the c disappears; see § 143 (11). L. securum, O. F. and A. F. sëur, E. sure, F. sûr. L. iocum, O. F. jou, A. F. jeu, ju, jeo; whence the spelling of E. jeopardy; the whole word occurs as A. F. jupardie, Y. f. 171, earlier jeupartie, B. i. 318; from L. iocum partitum, lit. 'a divided game,' i. e. a hazard. L. Græcum, O. F. Grieu, M. E. Grew, Greck.

Ct, x, sc, net. After a vowel, and before a consonant, c(k) takes the sound of y, passing into i. Thus L. factum becomes O. F. fait, A. F. fēt (= feit), M. E. feet, E. feat. L. tractare, A. F. traiter, trēter, M. E. trēten, E. treat. L. conductum, F. and M. E. conduit, E. conduit, pronounced (keen dit, with $\alpha = u$ in sun). L. placitum > plac'tum, used in the sense of 'decree,' also 'plea'; A. F. plait, plai (later plei, plee), M. E. plee, E. plea. The O. F. had both plait and plaid; from the latter comes A. F. plaider, pleider, plēder, E. plead.

So also L. coxa, hip, F. cuisse (see Table, l. 5, col. 3); whence E. cuisses, armour for the thighs. But the prefix exsimply became es- (not eis-), owing to want of stress; and the e was dropped in E.; as in L. extraneum > extranyum, A.F. estrange, E. strange.

In the group scl, the c is lost; as in Low L. *misculare*, to mix > misc'lare, O. F. *mesler*, curiously altered to A. F. *medler* (for *mesdler*, with excrescent d after voiced s, which dropped out), E. *meddle*.

In the group nct, c is also lost, but not before it has developed a preceding i-sound; as in L. iunctum, A. F. ioint, E. joint; L. punctum, A. F. point, E. point; L. planctam, A. F. pleinte (for plainte), E. plaint; L. finctam, F. feinte, E. feint.

Finally. Cc becomes c; Low L. saccum, F. sac, E. sack. Low L. beccum, A. F. bek, E. beak. L. siccum, folk-L. seccum, F. sec, E. seck, later sack, as the name of a 'dry' wine. Final sc becomes s, with a preceding i; L. discum, folk-L. descum (whence M. E. deske, E. desk), O. F. deis, M. E. deis, deys, E. daïs, a raised platform; an archaic word. See also the remarks on medial ce, ci above, which sometimes come at the end of a word.

§ 147. **History of KW.** The Lat. kw was written as qu. This sound was introduced into O. F. and A. F., chiefly before the vowel a, but in mod. F. has usually been reduced

to simple k^1 . In English, which keeps the old qu, the sounding of qu as k is rare, and is usually a sign of a word's late introduction. The k-sound appears in E. cater, from F. quatre, used in dice-play to signify 'four.' Cf. prov. E. cater, to cross a field diagonally, as if from corner to corner of a square. And there is a much older instance in M. E. coy (Chaucer, Prol. 119), from O. F. coi, derived from L. quietum, reduced to F. L. $qu'\bar{e}tum$, quiet. The L. aqua produced the remarkable A. F. form ewe, water; whence E. ewer, a waterjug. The L. aquila(m) produced A. F. and M. E. egle, E. eagle (F. aigle).

§ 148. History of H. I consider h next, to keep to the order in vol. i, § 332. The classical h was weak, and constantly dropped in folk-Latin, and even in classical Latin. Hence it is constantly dropped in O.F. and M.E., though often restored to the spelling, in F. and E., by writers who wished to show their knowledge of Latin. L. habitum, O. F. and M. E. abit, E. habit. L. hæres, nom., A. F. heir, M. E. eir, E. heir. L. honorem, A. F. honur, honour, M. E. honour, onour, E. honour. L. horridum, horr'dum, O.F. ord, ort; hence F. and E. ordure. L. hostem, A. F. host, ost, M. E. host, ost, an army; E. host. Note that E. often restores an initial h, as in this and other instances. L. hospitale, hosp'tale, A. F. hostel, ostel; hence E. ostler, for hosteler, orig. an inn-keeper. L. hōra, A. F. houre, M. E. houre, oure; E. hour. L. humilem, A. F. humle, umble (with excrescent b), apparently a 'learned' form, E. humble. L. humorem, A. F. humur, E. humour.

On the other hand, the Teutonic h was strongly pronounced, and often remains. The E. haste seems to have been borrowed from A. F. haster, to haste; cf. A. F. hastif, whence E. hasty, by loss of f, as in jolly from M. E. and A. F. iolif; and the A. F. haster seems to have been of Scand. origin, cf. O. Swed. hasta, Dan. haste. E. heinous is from

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¹ An exception is seen in *quiétude*, and other 'learned' formations from L. *quies*.

O. F. haine, hatred, which again is from O. F. hair, to hate; from Frankish * hatjan = Goth. hatjan (hatjan), to hate. So also, from Frankish hām (=A.S. hām, home) was formed O. F. ham-el, A. F. ham-el-et; E. hamlet. O. H. G. halsberc, lit. 'neck-defence,' O. F. halberc, hauberc, A. F. hauberc, E. hauberk; whence also A.F. haubergeun (S.R. 97, A.D. 1285). E. habergeon. E. hardy, A. F. hardi, bold, lit. 'hardened,' was the pp. of an O.F. verb hardir, to harden; from the adi. hard (Goth. hardus, Icel. hardr, O. H. G. hart). E. heriot is a law-term, A. F. heriet (Y. a. 213), an A. F. adaptation of A.S. heregeatu, lit. 'war-equipment.' The interesting word honi, lit. 'disgraced,' in the motto Honi soit qui mal y pense, is the pp. of O.F. honir (F. honnir), to disgrace; from O. H. G. honjan, to disgrace, cognate with Goth. haunjan, to humiliate, a verb formed from hauns, humble, low. E. housings, trappings for a horse, is extended from Tudor E. housse, houss (F. housse), with the same sense, and may be an old word, as it occurs as A.F. houce, huce = O. F. houce; from O. H. G. hulst, allied to Goth. hulistr, a covering; from the O. H. G. strong verb helan, to cover. E. hatchet, M. E. hachet, is a dimin. of O. F. hache; perhaps from O. H. G. *hapja, a sickle (G. Hippe), rather than from O. H. G. *hakka, M. H. G. hacke, an axe; see Hippe in Kluge, and happa in Schade. Hence also the O. F. hacher, to cut, E. hatch (to engrave with cross-lines); and with a change from ch to the sound of sh, we have F. hacher, E. hash. E. haughty, M. E. and A. F. hautein, is formed (with suffix -ein, F. -ain, L. -anus) from O. F. haut, halt, high; this is from Lat. altum, high, and the introduction of the h into the F, word is very remarkable; we can only suppose that it was associated with the O. H. G. hōh (G. hoch), high. The E. hoe is spelt howe in Will. of Wadington, l. 1451, answering to F. houe; from O. H. G. houwā, howa, a hoe (G. Haue); from O. H. G. houwan (hauen), cognate with E. hew; thus the sense is 'hewer' or 'cutter.'

§ 149. History of G. Here also, as in the case of k, the development of g before e and i is peculiar, and must be treated separately.

Initially. Ga. The Lat. g was always pronounced as E. g in gate, even when e or i followed. But it seldom remains in modern F. Most words which in F. begin with ga either come from L. ea or ua (wa) or are of learned or foreign origin. The regular change is from L. ga to O. F. or A. F. ia=ja (with E. sound of f), and then to F. ja. Thus L. gaudia, which was treated as a fem. sing. instead of a nom. pl., became A. F. ioie=joie, E. joy (F. joie).

It may be remarked here that very few native E. words begin with j; but many are of F. origin. Amongst the words borrowed from F. are jacinth, jacket, jamb (of a door), jangle, jar (vase), jargonelle, jasper, jaundice, jaunty, javelin, jay, jealous, jelly, jennet, jeopardy, jesses, jest, jet, v., jet, sb. (black mineral), jetsam, jetty, Jew, jewel, &c. Many of these appear in A. F., as might be expected. Jamb is from Late Lat. gamba, the leg; but even this is voiced from an earlier camba. The acc. cambas occurs in a text printed in Cockayne's A.S. Leechdoms, vol. i. p. lxxi, with the A.S. gloss homme, i.e. the hams, above it; and, in fact, the E. ham is the cognate word.

Some words of G. origin may be noted here. The O. H. G. garto, a garden, lit. 'yard,' had the gen. and dat. gartin, acc. garton; the corresponding Frankish forms 1 must have been *gardo, *gardin, *gardon; of which *gardin was Latinised as gardinum (acc.). Hence A. F. gardin, E. garden. The O. H. G. gelo, yellow, cognate with E. yellow, stem gahv-, is almost certainly the origin of the Late L. galbus, yellow, galbinus, yellowish. From galbanum, galbinum, was formed O. F. jalne, jaune, whence O. F. jaunisse, E. jaundice,

^{&#}x27;The Frankish forms go back to the fifth century, and therefore seldom exhibit 'the second sound-shifting'; see vol. i. § 123, p. 143.

with excrescent d, lit. 'yellowness.' For further examples, see under W (§ 161).

Go, Gu. The g here keeps its sound. L. göbionem, a gudgeon (from Gk. $\kappa\omega\beta\iota\acute{os}$), became gobyonem, F. goujon (? O. F. gojon), M. E. goione (=gojone), E. gudgeon. L. gustum, O. F. goust, F. goût; cf. E. haut goût, high flavour, written hogoo by Skinner (1671), who says it was a newly borrowed term. L. gutta, a drop (Ital. gotta, a drop, also the gout), A. F. gute, M. E. goute, E. gout (F. goutte). L. gula, the throat; Low Lat. gulas, acc. pl., used to denote skins dyed red (Ducange), and afterwards used to signify 'red'; A. F. gules, goules, E. gules, red (in heraldry; cf. F. gueule, gueules). It is said to refer to the dab of red indicating the open mouth of the heraldic lion. L. gubernare, A. F. governer, E. govern.

Ge, Gi. Here g sometimes remains in writing, but the O. F., A. F., and E. g has the sound of the E. j; and F. g has the sound of F. j. Cf. E. gentle, gender, with F. gentil, gendre. f The M. E. gentil has split into two distinct forms, according to the accent, viz. gentle and genteel. The latter is valuable as showing a survival of the old pronunciation of E. $\bar{\imath}$. f The O. F. gelee, Tudor E. gelly, from Lat. gelatam, congealed, is now spelt jelly. So also L. gesta, A. F. geste, a story, E. jest. But E. j commonly arises from L. i; see the history of Y (§ 158).

L. gigantem, O. F. gëant, M. E. geaunt, E. giant; where the i is restored, to look more like Latin. We already find the form gyaunt in Langtoft, i. 190. L. gigerium, sing. of gigēria, the cooked entrails of poultry, O. F. gezier (F. gésier), M. E. giser; hence E. gizzard, with excrescent d, and abnormally pronounced with an unoriginal hard g.

Medially. Ga. Between two vowels, g (in ga) becomes y, which adds i to the preceding vowel; as in L. paganum, F. paien; cf. A. F. paenime, heathen lands, lit. 'paganism,' whence E. paynim, with a change of sense. From O. H. G.

magan, to be powerful (cf. E. may) was formed O. F. * desmayer, E. dismay, parallel to O. F. esmayer, with the same sense, but with the prefix es- (L. ex) for des- (L. dis-). After a consonant, -ga- (if accented) becomes -gie-, whilst final -ga becomes -ge; as in Low L. *adrengare, to bring into a ring or rank, formed from L. ad and O. H. G. hring, a ring, giving O. F. arengier, A.F. arenger, E. arrange. So also O. H. G. heriberga, a harbour, becomes O. F. herberge, F. auberge.

Ge, Gi. Before an accented syllable, ge becomes ye, written ie, as in L. magistrum, folk-Latin magestrum, O.F. maiestre. In the fem. form magestréssa, there was less accent on the ge, and the e disappeared, leaving O.F. maistresse, F. maîtresse. This gave rise to a corresponding masculine, viz. O.F. maistre (used instead of maiestre), which is the real origin of A.F. and M.E. maistre, E. master.

After an accented vowel, ge and gi disappear, leaving an epenthetic i as their trace; as in L. regem, A. F. rei, a king (F. roi); L. legem, A. F. lei, M. E. lay, law, in Chaucer (Cant. Tales, Group F, l. 18). So L. fragilem, O. F. fraile, E. frail. Exceptions occur in learned words, as in E. legend, image, page (of a book); so also virgin.

After a vowel, and before a consonant, g becomes y, i. Thus L. integrum became O. F. entir (for *entie-ir, see Table, l. 2, coll 1, 5), M. E. entyr (= entīr), E. entire; the F. entier (according to Schwan) is due to an alteration of the suffix by analogy with other words. Low Lat. bragire, to bray, F. braire, E. bray.

Gn takes in F. the sound of ny, which is indicated by writing ign; in E. the gn is commonly pronounced as a simple n, though the symbol remains in writing. Thus L. dignare, folk-L. dignare, A. F. deigner, E. deign. Low L. insigna(m), a standard (for L. insigne), A. F. and F. enseigne, E. ensign; where -sign is assimilated to L. signum. L. pungentem, F. poignant, M. E. poinaunt, E. poignant, now pronounced with the F. sound of gn.

After a Latin ng, which introduces in F. a preceding i, and before r, F. inserts an excrescent d, whilst the g is dropped; as in L. plangere, A. F. plaindre, E. plain, com-plain. L. iungere, A. F. joindre, E. join; cf. E. rejoinder, a sb. made from the infinitive mood, like remainder, attainder.

§ 150. History of GW. Initial gw arose from O. H. G. w; see under W (§ 161). The Lat. gw was written gu. From L. lingua, tongue, was formed *lingua-licum, whence A. F. and M. E. langage, and with later insertion of u (due to L. influence), the mod. E. language.

§ 151. History of T. Initially. L. t remains, as in L. turrem, A. F. tur, tour, M.E. tour, E. tower.

Medially and finally. Between two vowels, $t > d > \delta$ (dh), and then disappears; as in L. armatam, O. F. armee, M. E. armee, E. army; L. gelatam, O. F. gelee, E. jelly. L. armaturam, O. F. armëure, later armure, by loss of e, M. E. armure, afterwards turned into armour by analogy with honour, etc. L. virtutem, A. F. and M. E. vertu, E. virtue. L. mutare, O. F. muër, E. mew, to change, moult; whence E. mews. L. rotundum, O. F. röond, A. F. rund, round, E. round. In the same way $t > d > \delta$ (dh), and then disappears in the combination tr, as in L. patrem, O. F. pedre, pere, F. père; etc. Hence L. iterare, to travel, became O. F. edrer, errer, whence A. F. errant, wandering, E. arrant (with ar for er). T remains after consonants, as in part, port, haste, host.

Tt > t; L. glutonem, Low L. gluttonem, A.F. glutun, glouton, E. glutton. So also td > tt, or t; L. nitidam, nit'dam, A.F. nette, fem.; E. neat. With s; ts was written z; as in L. fortis, nom., O. F. forz. Cf. also L. filius, nom., A. F. fiz (=fits), also written fitz; whence E. Fitz; see p. 229. With n. Tn > pn > sn > n; Low L. *retina (from retinere, to restrain), a bridle, A. F. resne, E. rein. Nt sometimes becomes nd; A. F. merchaunt, a merchant; merchaundise, merchandise. With m. Tm > m; as in L. æstimare, O. F. esmer; ad-æstimare, O. F. aësmer, M. E. aimen, E. aim. With m. m0 is a some m1.

in L. rotulare, O. F. roller, rouler, E. roll; cf. A. F. rolle, roule, s., a roll. Lt > ut, as in L. altum, F. haut; after u, the l may disappear, as in Low L. multonem, a sheep, A. F. multun, motoun, M. E. motoun, E. mutton. See § 160.

Bt becomes bd > d in L. subitaneum, A. F. sodein, M. E. sodein, E. sudden; see p. 222.

Ti. Ti (ty) between two vowels, and preceding the accent, became isi (pronounced izi), later is, before a, or is (pron. iz) before o; as in L. pretiare, O.F. preisier, A.F. preiser, M. E. preisen, E. praise; L. potionem, A. F. poison, E. poison. So also L. adrationare, O. F. araisner; whence (by the loss of s before n) A.F. arainer, E. arraign (with inserted g). When ti (ty) between two vowels (the latter being a) followed the accent, it became s (written as c); as in L. gratiam, A. F. grace, E. grace; L. plateam > platyam, A. F. place, E. place; L. mateam > matyam, A.F. mace, E. mace. The suffix -ece (= ese) was later written -esse phonetically; as in O. F. richece, A. F. richesse, M. E. richésse, E. riches. If the latter vowel is o or u, ti becomes s, preceded by epenthetic i; hence L. palatium, O. F. palais, A. F. paleis, M. E. palais, paleis, E. palace; L. pretium, A. F. pris, E. price. Similarly with sti; as L. angustia, O.F. angoisse, A.F. anguisse, E. anguish.

After consonants t (with i) became ts (written c, z) later s (written c, g); as in Low L. * captiare (for L. captare), O. F. chacier, A. F. chacer, E. chase. So also Low L. neptia, O. F. niece, A. F. niece, nece, E. niece; L. redemptionem, O. F. räencon, A. F. raunson, ranson, E. ransom; Low L. * tractiare (from L. pp. tractus), O. F. tracier, F. tracer, E. trace; Low Lat. d'rectiare (from Lat. directus), O. F. drecier, F. dresser, E. dress; L. factionem, A. F. facoun (= fasoun), M. E. fassoun, fashion, E. fashion; L. tertium, O. F. tierz, A. F. (feminine) tierce, E. tierce (the third canonical hour); L. cadentiam, O. F. chäance, F. chance, E. chance. The L. suffix -aticum became *-adiyu, *-adyu, -age (= ajə); as in L. ætaticum, O. F. edage,

A. F. ëage, age, E. age; L. silvaticum, O. F. selvage, A. F. sauvage, savage, E. savage; L. *linguaticum, O. F. lengage, A. F. and M. E. langage, now altered to E. language (with u). So also E. stage, O. F. estage, answers to a Low L. type *staticum, an abiding-place; from stare, to stand, abide. Note also rtic>rch in L. pertica, A. F. perche, E. perch; L. porticum, F. porche, E. porch.

§ 152. History of D. Initially. Initial d remains. L. domina, dom'na, A. F. dame, E. dame.

Medially. D between two vowels becomes & (dh), and then disappears. L. allaudare, A. F. alower (=alouer), E. allow, to approve of. Low L. produm, gain, is probably allied to A. F. pruësse (for *prudesse), E. provess; cf. F. prude, fem. adj., E. prude, s. L. cadentiam, O. F. chëance, F. chance, E. chance. L. crudelem, O. F. cruël, E. cruel. L. fidelitatem, A. F. fëaltë, E. fealty. L. videre, O. F. veoir, F. voir. L. traditionem, A. F. traison, treison, treson, M.E. treson, E. treason. D remains after a consonant, as in L. solidare=sol'dare, to strengthen, F. souder, M. E. souden, to confirm, to solder; the final -er in E. solder is due to the O. F. sb. soudure, a soldering, or the metal used in soldering. Cf. 'Soldatura, Anglicè sowdere;' Wright's Vocab., ed. Wülker, 612. 33. Moreover, the mod. E. solder is spelt with a restored l, which is not pronounced.

Finally. Final d became, in O.F., voiceless t, so that the O.F. has the form piet, from L. pedem. Perhaps the final d had the sound of & (dh). L. fidem became O.F. feid, i. e. feid, afterwards unvoiced to feib (feith), as in M.E. feith, E. faith (cf. A.F. feit, Bestiary, 1313); we also find A.F. fei, M.E. fey, later fay.

Di. Di > dy > A. F. j (written i, g), F. g, j. L. diurnalem, A. F. iurnal, E. journal. L. assediare, (assedyare), to besiege, O. F. assegier, M. E. assegen, afterwards altered to M. E. besegen, to besiege. L. iudicare, O. F. iugier, A. F. iuger, M. E. iugen, E. judge. Low L. uadium (=wadium), a pledge, gage, A. F. wage, gage, E. wage, gage. Sometimes the d dis-

appears, though the i (or a trace of it) remains; as in L. invidiam, A. F. $env\bar{\imath}e$ ($\bar{\imath}=ii$), M. E. $env\bar{\jmath}\bar{e}$, E. envy; L. radium, A. F. rai, E. ray; F. L. dimedium, F. $dem\bar{\imath}$ ($\bar{\imath}=ii$), E. $dem\bar{\jmath}$; L. gaudia, neut. pl. treated as a fem. sing., A. F. ioie, E. joy; L. podium, A. F. pui, E. pew. The A. F. glaive, E. glaive, from L. gladium, a sword, is irregular (the regular form would be glai, as in Mor-glay, the name of the sword of Sir Bevis of Hampton); perhaps glaive stands for $glai\bar{\partial}e$, the d becoming $\bar{\partial}$ (dh), and then v, by substitution.

Ndi > nj (written ng); F. L. vendicare, O. F. vengier, F. venger; cf. E. a-venge, vengeance.

§ 153. History of N. N usually remains, and is sometimes written double. L. navem, F. nef, a ship, also nave of a church, E. nave. L. sonum, A. F. soun, M. E. soun, E. sound, with excrescent d. L. coronam, A. F. coroune, M. E. coroune, croune, E. crown; F. couronne. L. bonam, F. bonne.

N becomes r in L. cofinum, O. F. cofre, M. E. cofre, E. coffer; L. ordinem, F. ordre, E. order. Finally, n > m in L. venenum, O. F. venim, E. venom; cf. F. venin. N is lost in the combination rmn; as in L. terminum, term'num, A. F. and M. E. terme, E. term; L. carminare, carm'nare, O. F. charmer, E. charm.

With r. Nr becomes ndr, with excrescent d; L. tenerum, F. tendre, E. tender.

With s. Ns becomes s, the n being dropped; L. sponsam, A. F. espuse, espouse, E. spouse; L. pensare, A. F. peiser, E. peise (Shakespeare), later O. F. poiser, E. poise; L. pensum, A.F. peis, later O. F. pois (F. poids), whence A.F. aveir de peis, O.F. avoir de pois, lit. 'goods of weight,' now corrupted to avoirdupois; L. monstrare, to show, O.F. mostrer, moustrer, whence the fem. verbal sb. A. F. and M. E. moustre, a show, pattern, E. muster, in the phr. 'to pass muster'; Low L. *mansionata, mansnada (Ducange), a household, O. F. maisnee, A. F. maisnee, meinē, M. E. meinē, meynee, a household, company, retinue (obsolete); hence E. menial, F. ménage. The E. custom, A. F.

custume, coustume, answers to a Low Lat. type *consultumina, which seems to have been substituted for L. consultudinem.

With i. Ni(ny). Ni usually becomes the liquid ny (Span. \tilde{n} , Ital. gn), written both as ign and as gn; as in L. unionem, O. F. oignoun (Littré), E. onion, with palatalised ni (=ny). But English also has simple n; as in L. vinea (=vinia), A. F. vigne, E. vine; and in E. company.

Ny also becomes nj (written ng), later nzh (F. nge); as in L. extraneum (=extranyum), A. F. estrange, E. strange; L. granea (=granya), A. F. grange, E. grange, a barn, a grange. I think it probable that the former element in linsey-woolsey represents linzhey, put for F. linge, linen, from L. lineum.

Mni becomes E. nj (written ng or nge); as in Low L. dominionem, A.F. dongon (with g=j), M. E. dongeon, E. dungeon, also donjon, properly the 'keep-tower' of a castle; L. calumnia, O.F. chalonge, A.F. chalange, chalenge, E. challenge.

§ 154. History of P. Initially. Initial p remains, as in L. parem, A. F. $p\bar{e}r$, E. peer.

Medially. Between two vowels p first becomes b, and is then shifted to v. Low L. arripare, *arribare, to come to the shore (from L. ripa), F. arriver, E. arrive; L. capillum, hair, O. F. chevel, whence M. E. dis-chevelē, with hair hanging down (Chaucer, C. T. 683), E. dishevelled; L. capitaneum, A. F. and M. E. chevetain, E. chieftain. L. constipatum, O. F. costevé, E. costive (see Mr. Nicol's note in the Supp. to my Dictionary). Horning says that the F. p between two vowels must be due to a Lat. pp; thus E. chapel, A. F. chapele must be from Low L. cappella (and, in fact, cappellanus occurs).

P between consonants disappears; as in L. computare, comp'tare, A. F. counter, E. count (F. conter, doublet of compter); L. hospitem, hosp'tem, A. F. oste, M. E. oste, hoste, E. host, an entertainer; L. hospitale, A.F. hostel, E. hostel, and F. hôtel, E. hotel. Similarly, L. hispidosum, roughish, pro-

duced O. F. hisdeus, A. F. hidous, hidous, M. E. hidous, now altered to hideous, like piteous for M. E. pitous. E. sturdy, O. F. estourdi, orig. 'amazed,' is the pp. of O. F. estourdir, to amaze, referred by Diez to Low L. *extorpidire, to make torpid; but this solution of the word is very doubtful; see Stordire in the Appendix to the 5th edition.

After a consonant, p remains; as in L. colaphum (from Gk. κολαφος), a blow, Low L. colapum=col'pum, F. coup, whence F. couper, to cut, and F. and E. coupon; L. temperare, temp'rare, F. temper, E. temper, tamper.

Pt. P disappears in pt; as in L. ruptam, a broken way, a small troop, a defeat, F. route, E. route, and rout; also O. F. rote, E. rote. L. capitale, cap'tale, O. F. chetel, but the A. F. has chatel, E. chattel(s). Low L. accaptare, O. F. acheter, but the early A. F. (probably the Picard) form was acater, to buy; hence M. E. acate, purchase (Chaucer, C. T. 571, in the Cambridge MS.), whence E. cate, cater, caterer, by loss of initial a. L. captivum, captive, produced an abnormal O. F. form chaitif (instead of chetif), corresponding to A. F. (or Picard) caitif, weak, miserable, E. caitiff.

Pd. P disappears in pd; as in L. tepidum, tep'dum, F. tiede, tepid.

Pr > vr. L. separare, sep'rare, F. severer, E. sever; Low L. capronem (see Brachet), F. chevron, E. chevron; L. operam, O. F. oevre, F. œuvre, whence E. and F. manœuvre, from manu-opera (cf. inure, manure in my Dictionary); L. decipere, decip're, A. F. deceivre, E. deceive (cf. receive, conceive, perceive).

PI remains; as in L. copulam, F. couple, E. couple; L. populum, A. F. people, E. people.

Ps > ss, by assimilation (§ 163), as in L. capsam, O. F. chasse, E. chase, as a technical term in printing.

Finally. P is dropped in ps, after a consonant; (as in L. corpus, O. F. cors, A. F. cors, M. E. cors, E. corse;) cf. F. corps, whence E. corpse and corps; L. tempus, O. F. tens, E.

tense, s. Final p becomes f; L. caput, O. F. chief, A. F. chief, chef, E. chief.

Pi (py). Pi, after an accented syllable, becomes ch; as in L. appropiare, to draw near to, A. F. aprochier, E. approach. Hence E. reproach answers to Low Lat. *repropiare. We also find pi > if in O. H. G. chupphá, chuppá (Low Lat. cofia, cofea, etc.), a cap worn under a helmet, O.F. coiffe, E. coif; for the O. H. G. chupphá is supposed to represent the form *kuphia (indeed, Low L. cuphia actually occurs), and this is for Low Lat. *cuppia=*cuppea, from L. cuppa, a cup. Cf. F. hache < O. H. G. *hapja, sickle (p. 210).

The A. F. sage, E. sage, answers to a Low Lat. *sabium (Span. sabio) rather than to Lat. sapium. Perhaps, in the same way, the pi preceding the accent in L. pipionem may have been voiced to bi (pibionem); cf. F. pigeon, E. pigeon. It is remarkable that we have E. widgeon, which would answer in the same way to Lat. uipionem, a kind of small crane, in Pliny.

§ 155. History of F. Initially. Initial f remains, as in L. florem, A. F. flour, E. flour, flower. F also represents the Gk. ph, as in L. phantasma (=Gk. φάντασμα), O. F. fantosme, in which s before m became silent, M. E. fantome, E. phantom (with Gk. ph restored). But in the Low L. colaphum (Gk. κόλαφος), the ph was reduced to p, whence O. F. colp, F. coup. The Gk. κόφινος, a basket, was borrowed as L. cophinus; the acc. cophinum became, regularly, O.F. cofre, M.E. cofre, E. coffer, but was also exactly copied, as a learned form, in O.F. and M. E. cofin, E. coffin.

History of V. See under W (§ 161).

§ 156. History of B. Initially. Initial b remains, as in L. bibere, A. F. beivre, to drink; whence prov. E. bever, a drink, repast, and E. beverage.

Medially. B between two vowels becomes v; as in L. taberna, F. taverne, E. tavern; L. debere, O. F. deveir, later devoir, to owe; M. E. devoir, duty, cf. E. endeavour; Low L. caballum, a horse, F. cheval, whence O.F. chevalerie, E. chivalry; L. probare, A.F. prover, E. prove.

B is sometimes lost in difficult consonantal combinations. Thus L. ambos became O. F. ames, both, M. E. ames in the phrase ames as, both aces, double aces, in dice-play. So also Low L. galbinum, gal(b)'num, gave O. F. jaune; cf. E. jaundice. L. absolvat, may be absolve, O. F. asoile, assoile, E. assoil.

B1. The combination ab'l remains in 'learned' words; as in L. fabulam, F. fable, E. fable; L. tabulam, F. table, E. table.

But, in Folk-Latin, tabula became *tav'la, *taula, whence O. F. tole, a table, as the 'popular' form. Hence was borrowed the Bret. dol, a table, occurring in the compound dol-men, i. e. a stone table 1, which has been adopted by E. from the Breton word.

So also in the word parabolam, the b passed into v, and was then vocalised, au becoming o; hence O.F. parole, E. parole; the learned forms being O.F. and M.E. parabole, E. parable. The verb parauláre regularly became parler; whence E. parley, parliament. F. double, E. double, are from a Low L. dublum, substituted for L. duplum.

Br. Br (like pr) > vr. L. deliberare, O.F. deliverer, A.F. deliverer, E. deliver; L. bibere, A.F. beiver, prov. E. bever (as above). So also L. describere, O.F. descrive, M.E. descriven, to describe; but the infin. also took the shortened form descrire, whence M.E. descrien, E. descry. L. fabricare became, regularly, F. L. *favrcare, but, as this was unpronounceable, vr > ur > o; hence O.F. forger, E. forge. Cf. parole above.

Rb. Rb either remains (after the accent), or becomes rv (before it). L. barba, F. barbe; whence O. F. barbour, M. E. barbour, E. barber; L. herba, F. herbe, E. herb. Also L. verbenam, O. F. and M. E. verveine, E. vervain; L. mirabilia,

¹ The Celtic habit is to put the qualifying word *last*; as in *cist-vaen*, 'chest-stone,' i. e. stone chest.

neut. pl. treated as fem. sing., O.F. and M.E. merveille, E. marvel.

- Bt. Bt > bd > d, after the accent; but it becomes either d or t when it precedes the same. L. male habitum became mal'ab'tum, mal'ab'dum, O. F. malade; hence O. F. and M. E. maladie, E. malady. L. subitaneum (sub'tanyum), O. F. soudain, A. F. sudein, M. E. sodein, E. sudden. L. dubitare, O. F. and A. F. douter, E. doubt, with unnecessary insertion of an unpronounced b. L. subtilem, O. F. soutil, A. F. sutil, M. E. sotil, sotel; E. subtle, with 'Latin' spelling, though pronounced (seet's), with (e)=u in but. Exceptional is L. debitam, whence A. F. and M. E. dette, E. debt.
- Bi (by). Bi=by>g(e). L. sapium, wise, became Low L. * sabium (Span. sabio), whence A. F. sage, E. sage. L. rubeum (rubyum), F. and E. rouge; L. rabiem, F. rage, E. rage. Late L. cambiare, O. F. changier, A. F. chaunger, M. E. chaungen, E. change. O. H. G. louba (G. Laube), a portico, entrance-hall, was Latinised as laubia, whence O. F. and A. F. loge, M. E. loge, E. lodge; cf. E. lobby. Similarly, F. longe, the loin, answers to Low L. fem. * lumbea, formed from L. lumbus; the E. loin answers to the variant seen in O. F. logne, loigne, Walloon logne (see Littré).
- § 157. History of M. Initially. Initial m usually remains; L. membrum, F. membre, E. member. But in a few cases it changes to n, as in L. mappam, a cloth, whence O. F. mappemonde (see Cotgrave), M. E. mappemounde (Gower) < L. mappa mundi, map of the world, E. map, mop¹; also, with change of m to n, O. F. nappe, a cloth, M. E. napekin (with E. suffix -kin). Again, the L. matta gave both A. S. meatta, E. mat, and O. F. nate, F. natte.
- **M1, mr.** An excrescent b is developed between m and l, and between m and r. Even in late Latin we find cumbrum

¹ Torriano's Ital. Dict., 1680, has: 'Pannatore, a maulkin, a map of clouts or rags to rub or cleanse withal.' Cf.—'Not such maps as you wash houses with'; Middleton, Span. Gipsy, ii. 2.

for cumulum, a heap; hence O.F. combrer, to hinder, M.E. combren, E. cumber. L. humilem (hum'lem), O.F. humble, A.F. umble, E. humble; L. tremulare, F. trembler, E. tremble; L. cameram, A.F. chambre, E. chamber. Rmr > rbr; L. marmorem, F. marbre, M. E. marbre; the change from marbre to marble is English.

Mt > nt. L. comitem, A. F. counte, E. count; L. domitare, O. F. donter, A. F. danter, E. daunt; L. computare, com(p)'-tare, A. F. counten, E. count, doublet of compute.

Final. Note that the Latin m final was dropped in folk-Latin in common speech: we even find vinu for vinum, etc. in inscriptions. Hence the final m of the Lat. accusative never appears in French¹, and even the preceding vowel is much affected. Thus L. -am > -e, as in lunam, F. lune; L. animam, O.F. anme, alme, F. dme; whilst the suffixes -em, -um disappear altogether, unless an e is absolutely required (as in L. membrum, O.F. membre, where membr' required the e in O.F.). Cf. L. parem, O.F. per, E. peer; L. punctum, F. point, E. point.

Mi (my). Mi (my)>nj, written ng or nge. L. commeatum (commiatum), F. congé; L. vindemiam, O. F. vendange, altered in M. E. to vendage, vindage; mod. E. vintage.

§ 158. History of Y. The Lat. initial i had the sound of E. y; cf. iugum (yugum) with E. yoke. But, in folk-Latin, it was pronounced as dy, which easily passed into E. j; cf. E. dew, Jew; and, at a still later time, the F. j passed from the sound of E. j (j) to that of F. j (zh). Thus, whilst the L. iugum has become F. joug, the L. diurnum has become F. jour. Similarly, the F. jusque is derived from L. de usque (=dyusque). The Gk. ζ , written as z in Latin, was also understood as having the sound of dy (cf. E. d(y) in dew); this explains why Lat. diabolus is sometimes spelt $zabolus^2$,

¹ Nor in any other Romance language; cf. Ital. and Span. vino, Port. vinho, Wallachian vinu, Romansch vin.

² It is spelt zabulus in the Rushworth MS.; Luke iii. 5.

and why the L. zelosum (from Gk. $\zeta \hat{\eta} \lambda os$, zeal) became O. F. jalous, A. F. gelus, M. E. gelus (Ancren Riwle, p. 90), E. jealous. At a later time, the Græco-Latin z became F. z, as in F. zèle, E. zeal. The Lat. Hieronymum lost its aspirate, so that Hi was treated like i; hence O. F. Ierome (with I=E. I), E. Jerome.

Other examples: L. iactare, O. F. geter, M. E. Ietten (with I=j), E. jet. The symbol j does not really occur in O. F. or M.E.; we can only tell that the i (often written as a capital I) has the consonantal sound by its position. But editors usually print j for the i of the MSS. wherever they wish to do so. L. iocum, O. F. ieu (=jeu), A. F. ieu, ieo (=jeu, jeo); whence A. F. ieupartie, ieopartie, iupardie, M. E. ieopardie, from Lat. iocum partitum, a divided game, E. jeopardy. The E. spelling with eo is due to A. F.; the A. F. and M. E. suffixed e was a later addition, since the L. partitum could only give a dissyllabic parti. The added e is due to analogy with words like envi-e, Ielosi-e. Gk. υάκινθος, L. hyacinthum (hiacintum), O. F. iacint (with i=E. j), M. E. Iacinte, E. jacinth, a doublet of hyacinth. L. iaspidem, O. F. iaspe, also iaspre, with added r, M.E. Iaspre, E. jasper. L. iungere, O.F. ioindre, E. join; etc.

Medially and finally. In other positions, the y-sound becomes i; as in L. Maium (= Mayum), May, F. Mai, E. May; L. maior (= mayor), O. F. maire, M. E. maire, now spelt mayor.

The reader should also notice the great number of instances, in the foregoing examples and elsewhere, in which an i or an e immediately preceding another vowel passes into the sound of y and produces various palatalised letters, or else introduces the vowel i in the preceding syllable. Cf. L. habeo=habyo, becoming (h)a(b)y(o), i. e. F. ai, with loss of h, b, and o; L. rabiem=rabyem, F. rage; L. sapiam=sapyam, F. sache; L. radium=radyum=ra(d)y(um), F. rai; L. potionem=potyonem, F. poison; L. mansionem=ma(n)syon(em),

F. maison; L. exagium=exa(g)y(um), F. essai, E. essay; L. familia=familya, F. famille; L. varium=vary(um), O. F. vair, E. vair (in heraldry); L. somnium=so(m)ny(um), F. songe; etc.

§ 159. History of R. Initially. Initial r remains; as in L. rationem, F. raison, A. F. raisonn, reisonn, resonn, M. E. resonn, E. reason.

Medially. R between two vowels usually remains unaltered; as in L. orationem. F. oraison, E. orison, with weakening of the second syllable, due to change of accent. But r readily passes into l, especially by dissimilation; that is, in order to avoid a repetition of it in the same word. In this way, Low L. paraveredum gives A. F. palefrei (for * parefrei), E. palfrey; and L. peregrinum gives O. F. pelerin (for *pere-(g)rin), a pilgrim. The E. pilgrim (for pilgrin) retains the g, and is therefore not borrowed from French. We also find O.H.G. pilgrīm, O. Friesic pilegrim, Icel. pîlagrîmr; and as it is difficult to see why we should have borrowed the word from O. H. G., it is probable that all these forms were borrowed alike from Ital. pellegrino, owing to the frequency of pilgrimages to Rome. In mod. F. (Parisian), r has become s in chaise, formerly chaire; E. chaise is borrowed from this late form, whilst O.F. chaëre, chaire, L. cathedram, is preserved in E. chair.

R sometimes shifts its position in a word in a very remarkable manner. Thus O. F. prenez, take ye, also appears as pernez; hence the E. law-term pernor, a receiver, A. F. pernour (B. i. 92)=pren-our, from prendre, L. prendere for prehendere, to take. O. F. grenier, a garner, from L. granarium, also appears as gernier, A. F. gerner, M. E. gerner, E. garner. Low L. *turbulare, O. F. torbler, also troubler, E. trouble. Note that E. follows the A. F. forms adversarie, glorie, etc., where F. has adversaire, gloire, etc.

R sometimes absorbs the preceding vowel; as in L. directum, F. droit; L. directiare, F. dresser, E. dress. The

curious change from er to ar, so common in E., as in parson for person, is found in F. also. Thus Rutebuef rimes large with sarge, the latter being put for serge, E. serge (Schwan, § 265). See vol. i. § 381.

Rr. Double r remains, or is reduced (chiefly at the end of a word) to single r; as in L. terra, F. terre, whence E. terrier, in two senses; L. carrum, F. char, Northern F. car, as well as Low Lat. carra, fem., Northern F. (?) and M. E. carre, E. car.

R is sometimes lost before s; probably rs became ss, and then s. Thus L. dorsum, F. dos, the back; cf. E. reredos, where rere is the M. E. spelling of rear. So also L. persicam, pes'cam, O. F. pesche, in which the s also became silent; whence M. E. peche (Lydgate, Minor Poems, p. 15), E. peach (F. péche).

Cr, gr become r, preceded by epenthetic i; as in L. lacrima, O. F. lairme (St. Alexis), lerme, F. larme; L. nigrum, F. noir.

Tr, dr become rr or r. L. latrocinium, theft, A. F. larrecin, larcin; whence E. larcen-y, with added -y. L. desiderare, desid'rare, A. F. desirer, E. desire. Cf. L. patrem, O. F. pedre, pere, F. père. So L. ad retro, O. F. arere, E. arrear.

Pr, br. Pr, br commonly become vr (though L. arborem gives F. arbre). L. deliberare, F. deliver, E. deliver; Low L. capronem, F. chevron, E. chevron (see Brachet).

M'r > mbr; n'r > ndr; rmr > rbr; as in L. cameram, A. F. chambre, E. chamber; L. tenerum, A. F. tendre, E. tender; L. marmorem, F. marbre, M. E. marbre, whence E. marble.

We sometimes find an excrescent t before r in certain combinations, viz. in sr, skr. Thus Low L. essere (for L. esse) gives *es're, O. F. estre, F. étre. So L. cognoscere (cognosk're), O. F. connoistre (with epenthetic i before the combination); whence, with silent s, E. re-connoitre, F. connaître.

§ 160. History of L. Initial l usually remains, as in L.

lapsum, A. F. laps, E. lapse (of time). Or it may become r; see below.

Medially. Between two vowels, l remains; as in L. $t\bar{e}lam$, F. toile; whence E. toilet. If one of the vowels is an accented i, the l or ll is palatalised, and is usually written ll. L. salire, F. saillir. L. bullire, A. F. boillir, E. boil (F. bouillir). See p. 229 (L with y). In E. this palatalised l is written lli in the word brilliant, from F. brillant, pres. pt. of briller, to shine; which is derived from L. beryllus, a beryl. L. valentem, A. F. vaillant, became M. E. valiant; but here the pronunciation was affected by association with the subjunctive vaille, from L. valeam, F. L. valya.

L (like r) is subject to dissimilation, and changes to r in the neighbourhood of another l. L. ululare, to howl, O. F. urler, hurler; whence E. hurly in hurly-burly. Low L. liquiritia (put for (g)lycyrrhiza, Gk. γλυκύρριζα, licorice-plant), A. F. licoris, M. E. licorice, E. liquirite (by confusion with liquor); but l and r are interchanged in F. réglisse. Owing to the repetition of l, the former l is lost in L. flebilem, A. F. feble, E. feeble; Mid. F. foible, whence E. foible; mod. F. faible.

Towards the end of the twelfth century (Schwan, § 281), l before a consonant introduced an epenthetic u, which soon replaced the l altogether. This probably took place first of all (especially in *plural* forms) after a, and afterwards after other vowels. Thus als > aus (aux).

Al, el (with consonant). L. altum (F. L. *haltum, prob. by influence of O. H. G. hōh, G. hoch), F. haut; whence M. E. hautein, E. hauty, miswritten haughty. L. falconem, A. F. faucon, M. E. faucon, E. falcon, with pedantic restoration of unpronounced l. This use is particularly noticeable in plurals, when the final l remains in the singular; as in F. cheval, horse, pl. chevals > chevaus, mod. F. chevaux, as in E. chevaux-de-frise. In the case of many words in el, the eaux of the pl. ending has introduced eau for el even in the singular in

modern French; thus L. bellum became O. F. bel (as in Philip le Bel), pl. beaus, mod. F. beaux; whence F. sing. beau, E. beau. Similarly L. castellum, O. F. chastel, mod. F. château, E. chateau. O. F. rondel, E. roundel; F. rondeau, E. rondeau. L. mantellum, O. F. mantel, E. mantle; F. manteau, E. port-manteau. L. * morsellum (cf. Ital. morsello, dimin. from L. morsum), O. F. morsel, E. morsel; F. morceau, E. morceau.

Curious examples are: Low L. *fallita (from L. fallere), O. F. falte, faute, M. E. faute; then, with pedantic insertion of unpronounced l, Mid. F. faulte (as in Cotgrave), Tudor E. fault (as in Cotgrave); after which the French again dropped the l, but the English (later than the time of Pope, see 'Eloisa to Abelard,' 185, etc.) took to pronouncing the l, which must now always be sounded. So also F. assaut corresponds to E. assault, and F. volte to E. vault (for volt), sb. In the E. verb to vault, from F. volter, the l is right; as the F. verb is from the sb. volte, borrowed from Ital. volta.

In like manner Low Lat. * regalimen, * regal'men (from L. regalis), produced O. F. and A. F. realme, M. E. realme, E. realm, as well as O. F. reaume, M. E. reeme, rēme, now obsolete; Mid. F. royaulme, royaume (both in Cotgrave), mod. F. royaume.

O1. Low L. follum, a buffoon (from L. follis, bellows, wind-bag, see Brachet); O. F. and F. fol, E. fool; pl. fous (for fols), whence F. fou. L. colaphum, O. F. colp, F. coup. L. collocare, O. F. colchier, colcher, A. F. cucher (=coucher), E. couch. L. auscultare, ascultare, to listen, O. F. escouter; hence E. scout, v., to listen, spy; and scout, sb., a watch, spy. L. ultra, beyond, O. F. oltre, outre; whence the sb. oltrage, outrage, E. outrage.

U1. In the combination *ul*, the *l* is liable to drop. Thus F. pucelle, a maid, is from Low L. pullicellam (pul'cellam). So also Low L. multonem, A. F. and M. E. motoun, E. mutton; already noticed (§ 151), p. 215.

- Cl, gl. In the combinations cl, gl, the c or g is lost, and the l is palatalised, being written ll. Thus L. vigilare, F. L. veg'lare, O. F. veillier, F. veiller; L. trichila, tricla, F. L. trecla, an arbour, bower, F. treille; whence F. treiller, to form latticework (Cotgrave, now obsolete), and treillis, E. trellis. But in the word periculum, in which the combination icl becomes final, the c is simply lost, the i which arises from palatalisation being absorbed in the i that is already extant; thus L. periculum, periclum, O. F. peril (for peril), E. peril, F. péril. The explanation of lentil is different; see L with y, p. 230.
- T1, d1. T1, dl become ll, later ul. L. spatulam, shoulder; O. F. espalle, later espaule, épaule; whence F. épaulette, E. epaulet. The learned words titulum, capitulum were differently developed, giving title, titre, and chapitre respectively; cf. E. title, F. titre; F. chapitre, M. E. chapitre, E. chapter.
- Pl, bl. These combinations remain; as in L. populum, A. F. poeple, people, peple, E. people (where the eo is due to a reminiscence of A. F. spelling); L. tabulam, F. table, E. table; L. fabulam, F. fable, E. fable. But the 'popular' development of bl was into vl > ul > o; see § 156, p. 221.
- **M1.** Ml > mbl, with excrescent b. L. tremulare, F. trembler, E. tremble; L. assimulare (=assem'lare), F. assembler, E. assemble; L. humilem, F. humble, E. humble.
 - **S1.** For the combination sl, see under s.
- **Lr.** In the combination lr, an excrescent d after l arose early, after which the l disappeared or became u, in the manner explained above, with regard to the combinations al, el, ol, ul. In lgr, lvr, the g or v drops, and the combination is treated as simple lr. L. pulverem, dust, became pul'rem, whence A. F. puldre, poudre, M. E. poudre, E. powder.
- **L** with **y**. The Lat. li(=ly) produces the F. palatalised l, written ll, ill, il. An exceptional case is when s follows, when ly's became lts, written lz; as in the remarkable word filius, a son, A. F. filz, or (with disappearance of l) fiz (pronounced fits), also written fitz, to indicate the t sound more

plainly 1. Hence L. familiam became F. famille, but the E. family (not in very early use) is modified to bring it nearer to the Latin form. L. consilium, A. F. cunseil, counseil, E. counsel, F. conseil. The E. council is quite a different word, representing a learned F. form concile, and L. concilium; but the words council and counsel were easily and early confused. L. neut. pl. battalia, treated as fem. sing., a battle; A. F. and M. E. bataile, E. battle, with shifted accent and the second syllable weakened. L. neut. pl. folia, treated as fem. sing., a leaf; A. F. foille, S. R. 219; also (perhaps from L. sing. folium) A. F. foil, W. W. 4156; we even find 'le foile' in the Table of Contents to the Cursor Mundi, in MS. Laud 108; E. foil (F. feuille). L. victualia, nent. pl., treated as a fem. sing., provisions, A. F. and M. E. vitaille, usually in the pl. vitailles, whence E. vittles, absurdly spelt victuals, to look more like the Latin from which it was not immediately derived.

The combination -lic- gave rise to lj (lj), written lg, lgi; so that L. delicatum became O.F. delgié, delicate. So also Low Lat. *bulicare, frequentative of L. bullire, to boil, became O.F. *bolgier (Prov. bolegar, to stir oneself), F. bouger, Tudor E. bouge, v., to stir, E. budge.

Final -icla became -ille in the case of L. lenticulam, F. L. lentic'la, F. lentille; whence M. E. and E. lentil.

§ 161. History of W. The Latin u (consonant) was still pronounced like the E. w for some time after the Christian era; a fact which is still commemorated in English in the pronunciation of the words wall, wine, and wick, from L. uallum, uinum, and uicus; vol. i. § 398, p. 433. In French, its development, initially and medially, was not always the same; and the cases may be considered separately.

Initially. Initial L. u became v in all but a few cases; as in L. uilem, F. vil, E. vile. Nearly every word in English

¹ The t is due to excrescent d after by (see above); thus we get fily's, *fily'ds, *filts, filz (=filts), fiz (=fits), fitz.

that begins with v is of F. or late Latin origin, as may be seen by reference to my Dictionary. There are four exceptions in which v answers to A. S. f, viz. in the words vane, vat, vinewed, and vixen: see vol. i., § 349, p. 373. There are also two Scandian words, valhalla, viking; a few Italian words (in which v also answers to L. u), as velvet, vermicelli, volcano; the Portuguese verandah; the Servian vampire; the Russian verst; the Greek vial; the Eastern words Veda, van (for caravan), vizier; the Celtic vassal, varlet, valet, all in F. forms; and a few words of Teutonic origin, as vandal, vogue. But the whole number of such exceptions is by no means large, and the preponderance, among English words beginning with v, of words of French and Latin origin, is quite remarkable.

The Lat. u is exceptionally represented by b in F. brebis, from Low Lat. berbicem, for L. ueruecem, a sheep; and by f in F. fois, from Lat. uicem, a time, turn; but neither of these words appear in English.

The O. H. G. w became gw in the mouths of the Celtic inhabitants of Gaul, just as the L. uallum became gwal in Welsh. We even find the L. u represented by gu (later g) in a very few instances, as in the remarkable case of L. uiperam, a viper, O. F. guivre, F. givre. But the Normans found, naturally, no difficulty at all in pronouncing the w, which was once a common sound in Old Norse (though it has now become v); hence the L. uiperam became A. F. and M. E. wivre 1, whence E. wivern or wyvern, with an epenthetic final n. Such is the simple origin of the mysterious heraldic wyvern, which has been transformed from a viper into a winged dragon, with a serpent's tail. Similarly from L. uastare, probably confused with O. H. G. wasten (wastjan), with the same sense, we have A. F. waster, E. waste, vb. There are several other A. F. words beginning

¹ The A. F. wivre doubtless existed; it is spelt guivere in the Bestiary, l. 813. Chaucer has wivre, wivere, Troil. iii. 1012.

with w; but, as they are of Teutonic origin, they will be discussed in a future chapter. See § 172, p. 246.

The O. F. gu, at first pronounced as gw, soon passed into hard (g) g, as in mod. F. guide, especially in words of Teutonic origin, as will be shown hereafter. This even happened with a very few Latin words, as in F. gui from L. uiscum; but I do not remember that any of these passed into English.

Medially. V (from L. u) between two vowels is usually retained, as in L. greuare, A. F. grever, E. grieve. So also after a consonant, as in L. seruum, F. L. servu, F. serf; L. saluare, O. F. sauver, A. F. sauver, saver, M. E. sauven, saven, E. save. But L. vivenda, victuals, neut. pl., treated as a fem. sing. with the form *vivanda (Ital. vivanda), dropped the medial v to avoid repetition; hence A. F. viande, viaunde, E. viand(s).

 $\nabla \mathbf{r} > fr$ in Low L. paraveredum (=parav'redum), A. F. palefrei, E. palfrey.

Rv > rb in L. curvare, F. courber, M. E. courben, E. curb. V is sometimes lost in consonantal combinations; as in L. civitatem (=civ'tatem), O. F. and A. F. citē, M. E. citee, E. city; L. pulverem (=pulv'rem), O. F. puldre, with excrescent d, later poudre, M. E. poudre, E. powder; see Lr in § 160.

Finally. Final v becomes f; as in L. bovem, A. F. boef, $b\bar{e}f$, E. beef; L. breve (neuter), A. F. bref, brief, E. brief; L. gravem, adj., grievous, A. F. gref, grief, s., grief, E. grief. This F. final f sometimes drops in English, viz. in the termination -if (=L. -ivum); as in A. F. iolif, E. jolly; A. F. hastif, E. hasty; F. restif, Tudor E. restie, but also restive, as at present.

Vy, **Vi**. Vy becomes j (j), written ge or g. L. abbreviare (=abbrevyare), O. F. abregier, A. F. abregger, E. abridge, where the vowel-change is possibly due to a notion of some connection with E. bridge; L. alluvium (=diluvyum), A. F. deluge, E. deluge; L. caveam (=cavyam), A. F. cage, E. cage; L. servientem, A. F. seriant, seriaunt, seriaunt (where i=j), E.

sergeant; L. salvia, the plant called sage, O. F. salge, sauge, M. E. sauge, E. sage. Our legerdemain is from O. F. legier de main, light of hand; where the O. F. legier answers to a Lat. *leviarium; from L. levis, light.

§ 162. Labialisation. This is the most convenient place for noticing the phenomenon of labialisation, or the occasional modification of consonants and vowels by the influence of the Lat. u (=w), when the said u follows or precedes another vowel.

Ua. Here *u* becomes *v* or disappears; as in L. *Ianuarium* = *janwaryum*), F. *Janvier*; Lat. neut. pl. *cornua*, F. *corne*, fem. sing., whence E. *cornet*.

Ue, ui, uo. The *u* disappears after a double consonant; as in L. battuere, O. F. battre, batre, E. batter; L. quatuor, quattuor, O. F. katre, quatre, E. cater, four, in dice-play.

As an example of labialised modification, consider L. habuit, O. F. ot, F. eut, where the a of habuit is altered to O. F. o by the influence of u after the loss of b.

But the most remarkable examples are seen in L. clauum (=clawum), a nail, O. F. clo, F. clou; Low L. Andegauum (=Andegawum), F. Anjou. From O. F. clo was formed a verb encloër, later encloyer, mod. F. enclouer, to drive in a nail, hence, to stop up, choke, borrowed by E. as encloy, ancloy, accloy, accloy, and now spelt cloy; see Accloy in the New E. Dictionary. As for F. clou, it was transferred into English with the sense of 'clove,' the plural being cloues, clowes, or clowys; and the mod. E. clove (if my guess is right) seems to be due to a misreading of the plural cloues, as if it were pronounced cloves. We also find labialisation after e; thus L. debuit became F. dut.

§ 163. History of S. Initially. Initial s was voiceless, and so remains; as in L. saccellum, a little bag, O. F. and M. E. sachel, E. satchel.

To words beginning with L. sp, st, sc, a slight initial vowel-sound was prefixed, which was written e (for older i, as in Low

Lat. isponsio for sponsio, in Ducange). Hence O. F. espine, from L. spinam; O. F. estable, from L. stabulum; O. F. escuyer, from L. scutarium. As this prefixed e was needless in English. which is fond of initial sp, st, sc, it was readily dropped; but in mod. F. the s became mute. Hence we have E. spine (thorn). stable, squire, corresponding to F. épine, étable, écuyer. some cases, the e is preserved in English; we can say either espy or spy, especial or special, establish or stablish, estate or state, esquire or squire, escutcheon or scutcheon, escape or scape; and, of course, there is a tendency to differentiate the senses of the forms. Even in O. F. there was no need to prefix e if the preceding word ended with a vowel, so that 'the spouse' was la spouse, not la espouse; hence, even in English, we have kept spouse for the substantival form, and espouse as a verb. Hence also, the sb. escheator was readily reduced to (s)cheator or cheater, giving a new verb to cheat, and the verbal sb. a cheat. Of course it must not be forgotten that, in many cases, the O.F. prefix es- (F. é-) represents the L. ex. Thus L. expandere, O. F. espandre, A. F. espaundre 1, is the origin of E. spawn, in which the final d has been dropped. This O. F. prefix es- (when from L. ex) was readily considered as having an intensive force, and hence the notion arose that an E. initial s can be intensive also; but the usual illustrations of this fancy are quite illusory, and the notion that s is 'naturally intensive' is unmeaning. Smash is not derived from mash, but is an independent word. If smelt is allied to melt, it is possibly because melt has lost an initial s. Squash (originally squach) and quash are from different roots, and answer, respectively, to O.F. esquacher (L. * excoactiare) and O.F. quasser (L. quassare). We may, however, admit that s-represents F. es- (L. ex-) in the prov. E. squench, to quench, and in E. splash, as compared with the older plash.

Medially. F. medial s, between two vowels, was really the

¹ 'Soffret le peysoun en ewe *espaundre*,' let the fish spawn in the water; see Addenda to my Dictionary, 2nd ed.

voiced z, though written as s. Hence E. has the same symbol (s) with the same sound (z); as in E. cause from F. cause, L. causam, caussam, though this is a 'learned' form. The popular F. form was chose, only preserved in E. in the term kick-shaws, a late parody of the F. quelque chose. A very remarkable word is the Late Lat. repausare, to repose, coined from (Gk. παῦσις (whence F. pause, E. pause).) This is the origin of F. reposer, E. repose; and is most likely the word which gave rise to the Late Lat. pausare, F. poser, E. pose, together with all its other compounds, viz. appose, compose, depose, dispose, expose, impose, oppose, propose, suppose, transpose. The notable feature about these words is that, whilst formally derived from the Gk. παῦσις, they all took up the meaning of L. ponere and its compounds.

Double s remains; as in Low L. passare, F. passer, E. pass. We also find ss due to assimilation; as in L. capasm, F. chasse, E. chase, as a technical term in printing. In the case of L. vascellum, a small vessel, F. vaissel, A. F. vessel, E. vessel, the use of s for c is only a graphic change.

Medial s (=z) before a liquid, viz. in the combinations sl, sm, sn, became mute at an early period 1 , and invariably disappears in English as pronounced, though the s is sometimes written; and the preceding vowel-sound is necessarily long. Examples are seen in L. blasphemare, O. F. blasmer, A. F. blasmer, blamer, E. blame; L. insulam, A. F. isle, ille, E. isle; L. masculum, A. F. masle, male, E. male; L. disieiunare, Low L. disjunare, A. F. disner, diner, E. dine 2 ; L. misculare, A. F. mesler, meller, F. méler, whence E. mélée, as well as M. E.

¹ The invariable disappearance of s in these combinations in English shows that it was already mute before the Norman Conquest (Schwan, § 318).

² For a complete solution, by Gaston Paris, of this difficult word, see Romania, viii. 95. It is a question of accentuation; disjúno gives O. F. desjun, but disjunáre, disjunámus give O. F. disner, disnons. Hence, practically, nous dînons is the pl. corresponding to je déjeune. I breakfast alone, but we dine in company.

mellē, a contest, a form which occurs frequently in Barbour's 'Bruce'. Cf. E. menial; p. 217.

St remains in Middle English, even where the s is lost in French; as in L. bestiam, A. F. and M. E. beste, E. beast (F. béte); L. festa, neut. pl. treated as fem. sing., A. F. and M. E. feste, E. feast (F. féte).

In a few words, sl (=zl) became sdl (=zdl, with excrescent d) and then dl. Thus L. mespilum (from Gk. μέσπιλου), a medlar, became O. F. mesle, whence *mesdle, *medle, M. E. medle, a medlar; the tree being known as O. F. meslier, whence M.E. medler, a medlar-tree; we have transferred this form from the tree to the fruit itself, which should properly be called a meddle. In the same way, from L. misculare, we have O.F. and A. F. mesler, O. F. mesdler (in Wace, see Godefroy, s. v. medler), A. F. medler, E. meddle; cf. F. meler (for mesler) 1. The past participle of this verb appears in M. E. medle, mixed, of mixed colours (Chaucer, C. T. 328), E. medley; as well as in F. mélée, fem., which we also borrowed at a later period. In the same way, the A. F. equivalent of E. male appears in three forms, viz. masle, madle, and male; and the old forms of F. and E. valet appear as O. F. vaslet (Burguy), A. F. vadlet, vallet, valet. In the latter case we have yet another form in the O.F. varlet (apparently intermediate between vaslet and vallet), and this is preserved in E. varlet. The O.F. masle is from L. masculum; and the O. F. vaslet represents a Low L. acc. vassallettum, allied to Low L. vassallus, both from Low L. vassus, a servant, from the Celtic gwas (Welsh gwas), a servant, youth.

Finally. Final ss remained voiceless, but was written as a single s. This sound is preserved in English, though lost in French. Thus we have L. passum, A. F. and M. E. pas, E. pace (F. pas); O. F. ha las, where ha is an interjection, and las represents L. lassum, wearied, E. alas (F. helas); L. casum,

¹ Littré refers O. F. mesler to L. misculare, but O. F. medler to an imaginary L. *mixtulare. This seems to me unnecessary, because we should have to account for E. medlar by a similar invention.

A. F. and M. E. cas, E. case (F. cas); L. grossum, A. F. gros, E. gross (F. gros); etc. In the last instance, the mod. F. silent s is dropped in E. grogram, Tudor E. grogran, from F. gros grain, a coarse grained stuff; whence, still later, E. grog. Cf. E. cutlet.

Sy, Si. Lat. si (=sy) became voiced z (written s) with epenthetic i; thus E. prison, A. F. prison (Ital. prigione), represents Lat. prensionem, from prendere = prehendere, to seize. Tudor E. foison, abundance, A. F. foisun, represents L. fusionem. But the s remained voiceless when another s preceded; as in E. grease, F. graisse, which represents a Low Lat. *grassia, from grassus, for L. crassus, fat.

§ 164. SHORT TABLE OF THE COMMONEST CONSONANTAL CHANGES.

It will be seen, from the above, that the consonantal changes in French are extremely numerous and complex, as so much depends upon their surroundings. Hence, in the following table, nothing is attempted beyond a *general* summary of the changes, which neither includes all of them, nor fully shows under what circumstances the change takes place. Yet it may be useful as a mere indication of the kind of changes to be expected.

K. Lat. c. Initially. C > c, ch, g. C before e and i is pronounced as s. Medially. C between two vowels > g, y, s, or is lost; ce, ci > si, isi. C after a consonant > c, ch. Ct > it. Nct > int. Finally. Ce > s, x. Cet > (i)st, (i)t. Cit > (i)t. Cc > c. Sc > is. (§ 146.)

KW. Lat. qu. Qu > qu, c; and medially, g. (§ 147.)

H. Lat. h. H either remains, or is lost. (§ 148.)

G. Lat. g. Initially. G > g, j. G before e and i is now pronounced as F. j, formerly as E. j. Medially. G frequently > y > i, but also g. Gn > ign. Ng > ign. Ng'r > indr. (§ 149.)

T. Lat. t. Unchanged initially. Medially. T > t, d, s, or disappears. Ti(ty) > c, is, isi. Tic > g, ch. (§ 151.)

- D. Lat. d. Unchanged initially. Medially, d disappears between two vowels; and, finally, may be lost. Di > g, j. Ndi > ng. (§ 152.)
- N. Lat. n. Medially, N > n, r; finally, N > n, m. Rmn > rm. Nr > ndr. Ns > s. Ni > ign, gn, ng. Mni > ng. (§ 153.)
- P. Lat. p. Unchanged initially. Medially. P>v, or disappears. Pi(py)>ch, f; and even g(< bi). Ps>ss. Finally. Ps>s. (§ 154.)
- F. Lat. f, Gk. ph. F remains. Ph > ph, f, p. (§ 155.)
- B. Lat. b. Unchanged initially. Medially, B > b, v, or disappears. Bt > t, d. Bi > g. (§ 156.)
- M. Lat. m. Initially, M > m, n. Medially. Ml > mbl. Mr > mbr. Mt > nt. The Lat. final m is lost. Mi(my) > ng, nge. (§ 157.)
- Y. Lat. i, hi, hy; Gk. z. Initially, F. j; otherwise, F. i. Gk. z also > F. z. (§ 158.)
- R. Lat. r. Unchanged initially. Medially. R > r, l; or may shift its position. Rr > rr, r. Rs > rs, s. Cr, gr > ir. Tr, dr > rr, r. Pr, br > vr. M'r > mbr. N'r > ndr. Rmr > rbr. Excrescent t may arise before r. (§ 159.)
- L. Lat. l. Initial L>l, r. Medially. L>l, r, or is lost. Li>ll. Al>al, au. El>el, eau. Ol>ol, ou. Ul>u, ou. Cl, gl>ll. Icl>il, ill. Tl, dl>ll, ul. Ml>mbl. Sl>l. Lr, lgr, lvr>udr, dr. Li (ly)>ll, ill, ill, il. Lic>lg. (§ 160.)
- W. Lat. u = (w); O. H. G. w. Initially, F. v, gu, g; also b, f. Medially, u(w) > v, g; or is lost. Vr > fr. Rv > rb. Final v > f. Vi > ge, g. Avu > ou. (§ 161.)
- S. Lat. s (voiceless). Initial sp, st, sc > esp, est, esc > ép, ét, éc. Medial s is voiced between vowels. Ps > ss. Cs > iss. S becomes mute before l, m, n, and disappears, but the preceding vowel (in F.) is marked with a circumflex. Final ss > s. Si(sy) > is. (§ 163.)

CHAPTER XII.

FRENCH WORDS NOT OF LATIN ORIGIN.

§ 165. With a few incidental exceptions, the French words considered in the last two chapters are of Latin origin; and the same is true of a very large proportion of the Anglo-French words discussed in Chapter VI, and of the later French words discussed in Chapters VIII and IX. But the fact is, that French, like English, is an extremely composite language, as is explained at some length in §§ 136, 137 above.

The chief sources of French, beside Latin, that call for a few remarks, are the Greek, the Celtic, and the Teutonic sources. Words from such sources as Italian or Spanish, or other still remoter languages, will be discussed when we come to consider the said languages in due course. It must not be forgotten that we have also borrowed many French words of which the origin is entirely unknown.

§ 166. French words of Greek origin. We have already seen (vol. i. § 401) that nearly fifty words of Greek origin were taken into English before the Norman Conquest, but all of them were borrowed through the medium of Latin. In the same way, the Greek words that found their way into French likewise did so through the medium of Latin. Hence the ordinary phonetic rules for the transformation of Latin words into French apply to these words also, so that no special discussion of them is necessary. A list of more than 450 words, marked as 'French from Latin from Greek' is given in my Dictionary, 2nd ed., p. 758; and a list of eight more at p. 835. At p. 759 I have also given a list of some

forty-five late French words, marked as 'French from Greek,' which were borrowed, apparently, directly from Greek; but they are mostly 'learned' words, very slightly altered, and so cause but little difficulty.

A long list of French words of Greek origin is given in Stappers' Dictionnaire Synoptique d'Étymologie Française, p. 271, arranged in 925 groups. They are mostly of learned origin, and many of them never found their way into English. Strangely enough, all such words as chaise (from L. cathedra, from Gk. $\kappa \alpha \theta \epsilon \delta \rho \alpha$) are given in this work among the 'Latin' words, often without any hint that they are merely Greek words in a Latin spelling. Such an arrangement has some practical convenience, but it fails to take us back to the real source.

§ 167. In his Grammatik des Altfranzösischen, Schwan has some remarks upon the phonology of Greek loan-words in French, which are worth notice, and from which I here copy some particulars. Perhaps it is worth while to remark, that the Greek here spoken of is the late or Byzantine Greek rather than that of the classical period.

Vowels. Gk. ϵ became F. L. ϱ (\check{e}). Ex. Gk. $\kappa a\theta \acute{e}\delta \rho a$, L. cathedra, O. F. chaëre, A. F. chaëre, M. E. chaëre, E. chair, modified to agree with F. chaire. Parisian F. has also turned chaire into chaise, whence E. chaise. In the case of pepper (Gk. $\pi \acute{e}\pi \epsilon \rho \iota$), we have gone back to the Greek spelling, though the ϵ is changed to i in L. piper and A. S. pipor.

Gk. η became F. L. e (\bar{e}). Gk. $\kappa \acute{a}\mu \eta \lambda os$, L. camelus, O. F. chameil, chamoil; cf. M. E. camaille, Chaucer, C. T., E. 1196; but E. camel, F. chameau, like Ital. cammello, Span. camello, answer to a Lat. acc. type *camellum.

Gk. o became ϱ (ŏ). Gk. ὄστρεον, L. ostrea (ostria), O. F. uistre, F. huítre; bnt A. F. oistre, E. oyster. Gk. πόδιον, L. podium, O. F. pui, E. pew $^{\perp}$.

¹ O. F. u becomes E. u, pronounced as ew in pew; cf. O. F. cure, E. cure. Hence E. pew represents O. F. pu', the i of pui being now dropped, though represented by e in the M. E. puwe, pewe.

Gk. ω became ϱ ($\bar{\varrho}$). Gk. $\omega \rho a$, L. $h\bar{\varrho} ra$, A. F. houre, E. hour; F. heure.

Gk. v became L. $\check{u}=F$. L. ϱ . Gk. κυβερναν, L. gubernare, A. F. governer, E. govern; F. gouverner. Gk. κρύπτη, Low L. grupta, F. grotte, E. grot. But Gk. \hat{v} became $y=\bar{\imath}$; as in L. gyrare, girare, F. girer; from Gk. $γ\hat{v}ροs$, a ring. Spenser has gyre, from L. gyrus.

Gk. ει became L. ε̄. Gk. παράδεισος, L. paradīsus, O. F. paradīs; E. paradīse. This is a 'learned' form; the popular O. F. form was paraïs, whence, with intercalated v, was formed *parevis, soon shortened to parvis; hence M. E. parvis, Chaucer, C. T. 310. (See parvis in Scheler).

Consonants. Gk. $\phi > L$. p. Gk. $\kappa \delta \lambda a \phi o s$, Low L. colpus; whence F. coup. Gk. $\pi o \rho \phi \delta \rho a$, L. purpura, F. pourpre, M. E. purpre, E. purple, by differentiation of r to l. But in later words $\phi = L$. ph, F. f.

Gk. $\theta > L$. t, often written th. Thus F. espée is from L. spata, Gk. $\sigma \pi \acute{a} \theta \eta$; of which the dimin. form is L. spatula, whence E. spatula and epaulet.

Gk. ζ (sometimes >dy, very near the sound of E. j), written z. Gk. $\zeta\bar{\eta}\lambda$ os, zeal; whence L. zelosus, A. F. gelus, E. jealous, F. jaloux. In late words, Gk. ζ , Lat. z, gives F. z, as in zèle, E. zeal, from Gk. $\zeta\bar{\eta}\lambda$ os. Hence E. zealous, later doublet of jealous.

Gk. $\chi > k$, written k, c, ch. Gk. $\chi \acute{a}\rho \tau \eta s$, $\chi \acute{a}\rho \tau \eta$, a leaf of paper; L. carta, charta (with ch = k); F. charte, E. chart. Cf. also Ital. carta, whence F. carte, E. card. See p. 188.

The forms of Latin and Greek words, corresponding to F. words of learned origin, are so well known and so accessible, that further discussion is unnecessary.

§ 168. French Words of Celtic origin. A list of French Words of Celtic origin, arranged in ninety-six groups, is given by Stappers. In several cases, the origin of these words is

¹ Strictly, F. L. perpora (Schwan). The usual O. F. form is perpre. VOL. II. R

either doubtful or obscure, and their whole number is comparatively insignificant. Brachet gives thirty-four words of supposed Celtic origin, of which only a few are represented in English, viz. in the E. baggage, bar, basin, betony, billiards, bran. budget, cormorant, darn, garrotte, garter, harness, lay, pot, quay, toque (a cap), truant, vassal, to which he might have added valet. He also mentions F. gober and goëland, related to E. gob (mouth) and perhaps to E. gull (bird) respectively; as well as bec, beak, marne, marl, lieue, a league (distance). The list in Stappers includes such words as are represented in E. by bachelor, baggage, bar, bard, bargain, base, adi., basin, bastard, baton, beak, bracket, bran, branch, bribe, budget, cabin, cairn, canton, chemise, clan, claymore, coat (!), cormorant, crook, cromlech, darn, dolmen, druid, dune, gaiter, garrotte, garter, gob, gravel, gull, harness, javelin, lay, league, marl, pack, petty, quay, rogue, toque, valet, vassal, vavassor. Of these we may feel sure that cairn, clan, claymore were simply borrowed from English, which adopted them from Gaelic; see vol. i. § 409, p. 449; whilst bard is as much English as French. My own list of French words of Celtic origin (Dict. p. 751) includes attach, attack, baggage, bar (with derivatives), basin, basenet, beak, beck (a nod or sign), billet (log of wood), billiards, bobbin?, boudoir?, bound (limit), bourn (limit), brail, branch, brave, bray, v. (to bray as an ass), bribe, brisket, bruit, budge, (fur), budget, car (with derivatives), carcanet, career, carol, carpenter, carry, caul, cloke, crucible, gaff, garter, gobbet, gobble, gravel, grebe, harness, hurl, hurt, hurtle, javelin, job (to peck), lay (song), lias, lockram, maim, mavis, mutton, petty?, pickaxe, picket, pip (on cards), pique, piquet, pottage, pottle, pouch, putty, quay, rock, s., rogue, sot ?, tan, tawny, tenny, tetchy, truant, valet, varlet, vassal. To which I add league (distance), from a Latin form of a Celtic word.

It would take up a great deal of space, not very profitably, to discuss the probabilities that some of the words in the above lists are truly of Celtic origin. It is a difficult and obscure subject; and I cannot do better than refer the reader to one of the very few sane books that treat of it, viz. the *Keltoromanisches* of R. Thurneysen, published at Halle, in 1884, which discusses the Celtic etymologies given in the *Etymologisches Wörterbuch* by F. Diez. Of course, the reader should also consult the New E. Dictionary.

I will only give here the latest known results. Of all the words mentioned above, and included in the New E. Dictionary, in the parts from A-Cliv, the following are there definitely rejected from the list, viz. bachelor, baggage, bar, basin, basenet, beck, billet, billiards, brave, brisket, bruit, canton, carcanet (of Teut. origin; cf. O. H. G. querca, throat), carol, chemise; whilst some others are left doubtful.

It must be noted, also, that some of the words in Stapper's list (such as cromlech) came to us from Celtic directly, and not through the medium of French. When we turn to Thurneysen, we find that he definitely rejects the Celtic origin assigned to most of the above words, and it is clear that the list must be largely reduced. Amongst those that may, with more or less probability, be retained are these: beak (if allied to the Celtic stem bacc-, a hook); betony, brail, bray, budge (if allied to budget), budget, car (with its derivatives, such as career, carry, charge, chariot), carpenter, cloke, cormorant, dolmen 1, garter 2, gobbet ?, gobble ?, gravel, grebe, harness, hurt? (together with hurl, hurtle), javelin, job (to peck), lay (song), league (distance), lias, lockram, mavis, petty?, quay, sot?, tan (or is it O. G. H.? tawny and tenny go with it), truant, valet, varlet, vassal (also vavassor). Perhaps we may even add bijou, lawn (of grass), lees (of wine), veer;

¹ A Breton word, but only the latter half is Celtic. The sense is 'stone table,' for Celtic reverses the order; and the syllable dol is merely the popular O. F. tole, a table, regularly formed from L. tabula (tav'la, taula); the form table being really the 'learned' form. Men is Bret. mean, maen, a stone, W. maen, a stone, as in cist-vaen.

² Garrotte seems to have been taken by us from Spanish.

see Thurneysen, pp. 91, 65, 66, 82. The tendency of modern criticism is to decrease the number of words of supposed Celtic origin; for it is now known that Welsh, Gaelic, and even Irish possess many words resembling English only because they have actually borrowed these words from us¹; and, in the same way, many words once thought to have been borrowed by French from Breton are now known to have been borrowed by Breton from French. Moreover, the dictionaries of the Celtic languages are often untrustworthy. For example, Dr. Whitley Stokes tells us that 'the alleged Irish bille, the trunk of a tree [the supposed origin of billet and billiards], is only one of the innumerable figments of O'Reilly's Dictionary.'

§ 169. French Words of Germanic origin. Brachet distinguishes three classes of words of Germanic origin, viz. (1) words 'introduced by the barbarians who served under the Roman eagles, such as burgus, used by Vegetius for a fortified work; (2) war-terms, feudal terms, etc. which Franks, Goths, and Burgundians brought in with them; (3) a great number of sea-terms, imported in the tenth century by the Northmen.' The origin of words of the third class is rather to be sought in Scandinavian and Low German than in High German; whilst words of the second class are mainly due to the Frankish element. Brachet further computes the number of such Germanic words at about 450, and thinks that almost an equal number have been borrowed by French, in modern times, from modern German. these, I should estimate the number (exclusive of derivatives) that have passed into English as being somewhat less than 300; which is, however, an important contribution. See the lists in my Dictionary, 2nd ed., pp. 751, 835.

¹ As, for example, Welsh palas, a palace, pan, a pan, pappr, paper, parabl, speech (parable), paradwys, paradise, pardwn, pardon, parlys, paralysis, parwg, a parrock or paddock, peled, pellet, prelad, prelate, prest, quick, ready, printio, to print, professor, prophwyd, prophet, &c.; all in Spurrell's W. Dictionary.

By way of example, I may cite the word veneer, as having a strange history. In Phillips' Dict. (1706) we find-' Veneering, a sort of inlaid-work among joiners, cabinet-makers, etc'. It is merely borrowed from G. Fournier, Furnier, s., veneer. inlay, or the verb fourniren, furniren, to veneer, or inlay. The latter is the same word as the Dutch fornieren, furnieren, to furnish, given by Kilian: and both G. and Du. forms are from the F. fournir, to furnish, O. F. fornir, Prov. formir, fromir. But these Romance words were, in their turn, borrowed from the O. H. G. frumjan, frumman, to furnish, allied to O. H. G. fruma, profit, and the adj. frum (G. fromm), excellent. The shifting of the r is exemplified in the O. Sax. formon, to assist, allied to O. Sax. formo, A. S. forma, the first; cf. E. form-er. So that the word was at first O. H. G., and then passed into French; after which it again passed into German in an altered form, so that the connection of G. fourniren with G. fromm was much disguised; nor would it be easy to guess that the E. veneer is allied to E. former, and meant, at first, no more than simply to help forward or improve.

- § 170. Schwan observes that amongst words of this class are found several verbs, which is a remarkable circumstance, borrowed words being usually substantives. He also remarks that all the early Germanic words that passed into the folk-Latin belong to the Frankish dialect, whereas some of the later words, which passed immediately into French, were from other dialects (such as Middle High German, Low German, and Dutch). Mutation of the vowel-sounds (Umlaut) took place, in Frankish, from about 750 to 800 A.D.; and such words as were introduced into French before that time show an absence of mutation; thus the F. fange, mud, answers to the O. H. G. unmutated *fanja (cf. Goth. fani), not to the usual mutated O. H. G. fenna (cf. E. fen).
- § 171. Vowels. The Frankish vowel-system agreed more nearly with that of the Gothic than with the usual O. H. G.,

probably on account of its great antiquity. The following correspondences of vowels are given by Schwan.

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The Frankish vowels were treated just like the Latin ones in the vulgar folk-Latin; as in the following table—

§ 172. Consonants. The consonantal system agreed rather with the Gothic or the Old Saxon, than the usual O. H. G., because the words are of such antiquity that they mostly belong to the period before the second sound-shifting (from Low German to High German) had taken place. Hence we find traces of the sounds of p and of k for O. H. G. h, of d for O. H. G. t, of t for O. H. G. z, and of p for O. H. G. f. We also find Frankish ch, chl, chr for the Gothic and O. H. G. h, hl, hr; but this is rather to be looked on as a graphic peculiarity.

W. The Frankish w (=E. w), when initial, became F. L. gu (i. e. gw), F. g. The A. F. usually keeps the spelling gu, which is preserved even in the modern English spelling, though usually pronounced as g. It is even more remarkable that A. F. frequently preserved the initial w (both as the symbol and with the true sound), and that it has even descended to modern English unchanged. Thus E. ward, s., answers to Frk. *warda, F. L. guarda, F. garde; whilst the E. vb. to guard answers to Frk. *wardon, F. L. guardare, A. F. guarder, garder. Cf. O. H. G. wart, warto, Goth. wards (in daurawards, doorward), wardja, a ward, a watcher; O. H. G. warten, O. Sax. wardon, to guard. Other E. words in which the w is not of A. S., but of A. F. origin, are: wafer, wage, wager, wages, waif, wait, wait, wait, warble, warden, wardrobe, warison,

warrant, warren (for rabbits), warrior (A. F. guerrayour, for *werrayour), waste, s. and v., wicket, wince, all of Teutonic origin; and even widgeon (from L. uipionem?), wivern (L. uiperam). Initial g appears in gage, garnish, garrison, garret, gay (O. F. gai, O. H. G. wāhi, gay, not from O. H. G. gāhi), gallant, etc.; and gu in guard, etc.

The mod. G. w has the sound of v, and is therefore v in French; as in G. walzen, whence F. valse. We have imported the word directly, and have chosen to call it waltz (waols, wols).

In the word vogue, the v is due to Ital. vogare, from M. H. G. wagen, to float about; cf. G. wogen.

Medially, the Frk. w is treated as F. v; thus F. fauve is from the stem falwo- of the Frk. (O. H. G.) falo, fallow in colour.

Ch. The mod. G. guttural ch, used medially, was formerly written h, and was treated as Lat c. Thus Frk. (O. H. G.) wahtan answered to F. L. *guactare, *wactare, where the palatalised c introduced an epenthetic i, giving rise to O. F. gaiter, A. F. waiter, E. wait. The initial chl or hl, chr or hr, became simply l, r respectively; cf. Frk. Chlodowig with F. Louis.

H. The ordinary initial h (before a vowel) was much weakened, but is usually preserved, and is almost always aspirated in E. The English words of Franco-German origin that preserve the h are: habergeon, haggard (wild, applied to a hawk), halberd, hamlet, hamper, s., hanaper, Hanseatic, harangue, harbinger, hardy, hash, hatch (to engrave), hatchet, hauberk, haunch, haversack, heinous, herald, hernshaw (young heron), heron, hob (a rustic, a fairy), hobby (horse), hobby (falcon), hoe, hoop (to call aloud, often misspelt whoop), housings, hubbub, huge, Huguenot. Amongst these, the only word in which the h should ever be dropped is harangue, in such a phrase as 'an harangue'; where the accent is on the second syllable; but even here many keep the h, and say 'a harangue.' This is an interesting case, as the G. word is hring, and the h has become ha, (h)a, that it might not be lost. Cf. Ital. arringo,

Span. arenga, an harangue; illustrating the changes from ing to eng, and from eng to ang. We could hardly have clearer evidence of the strength of the Frankish initial h.

§ 173. Verbs. In forming verbs, the Frankish weak (usually causal) verbs in -ian are mostly treated like Lat. verbs in -ire, whilst verbs in -an are treated like verbs in -are. It is interesting to notice how this distinction has left its mark upon English. In this way, the Frankish suffix in -ian can be traced in the i of the verbs banish, burnish, furbish, furnish, garnish, tarnish, which go back respectively to Frankish *bannjan (= M. H. G. bennen, Schade), * brunjan (see brunen in Schade), furbian, frumian, warnian, tarnian (Schade). We even see its trace in the i of hë-i-nous, an adj. formed from the sb. haine, a derivative of the verb hair, from hatjan, to hate; of garrison (M. E. garnison) and garniture, from Frk. warnian; and of warison, from Frk. warjan. Nor is this all; for the suffix -ian in kausjan, to choose, was represented by a F. L. -jire (-vire) in a form *causjire, *cosjire,* where the i(v) introduced an epenthetic i, turning *cosjir into choisir, and this effect is preserved in English in the i of the verbal sb. choice. We trace yet another causal verb by help of the i in seize, which is derived from O. H. G. *sazjan (Goth. satjan), lit. to 'set,' hence, to put one in possession. The ee in guarantee is substituted for the older y, ie, cf. guaranty, guarantie (see Warranty in my List of A. F. Words); this again leads us back to O.F. warantir, and proves that the verb to warrant was causal, and derived from the sb. warrant, and not, conversely, the sb. from the verb.

For the further history of particular words, I beg leave to refer the reader to my Dictionary. Much exact information as to the letter-changes that take place in the case of O.F. words borrowed from Frankish or O.H.G. may be found in Dr. E. Mackel's work entitled *Die Germanischen Elemente in der französischen u. provenzalischen Sprache*; Heilbronn, 1887.

CHAPTER XIII.

Words of Latin Origin.

§ 174. It has already been shown that English contains about 150 words of Latin origin that were borrowed before the Norman Conquest; see vol. i. § 400-403. Latin being for us a dead language, but in constant literary use, we have at all times drawn upon it to supply us with additional words, especially those of the learned kind. Many of these are ecclesiastical or scholastic. Certainly no single work has ever produced a greater or more lasting effect upon our vocabulary than the Latin version of the Bible. It was from this version (in slightly varying forms 1) that all our earlier translations were made, such as the A.S. Version of the Gospels; the Northumbrian and Old Mercian glosses of the same; the A. S. Version of the Pentateuch and portions of the books of Joshua, Judges, and Job; the rather numerous A. S. glosses of the Book of Psalms, etc. Next, we have the paraphrase of the Gospels and Acts in the Ormulum, and a poetical version of the books of Genesis and Exodus, made in the thirteenth century; a Northumbrian poetical version of the Psalms, and prose translations of the same by William of Shoreham and Richard Rolle of Hampole. It was from the Latin text, known as the Vulgate version, that the complete English version of the Bible was made by John

^{&#}x27; For particulars as to the variations in the-early Latin versions, see Dr. Monlton's *History of the English Bible*, p. 9.

Wycliffe and Nicholas Hereford, and afterwards revised and often rendered into simpler language by John Purvey. The Vulgate version was constantly quoted in the old homilies, and it was usual to accompany the quotations with an explanation and comments in English. In this way it became the great store-house whence new words could readily be drawn, when occasion seemed to require them. Again, Latin was the language of the schools, and there may well have been occasions, in olden times, when two scholars from quite different parts of England could more easily hold communication in Latin than if each used his own dialect of English. Hence it is not surprising to find that the number of Latin words which we have borrowed immediately, and not through the medium of French, is considerably above 24co, as may be seen by the list given in my Dictionary, at p. 752. Of course it must be understood that, in making this estimate, I am speaking only of main or primary words, all fairly common, or not very uncommon, in modern English literature. If we were to include derivatives, words used only in scientific works, poetical and prose words used in our older authors and now obsolete or archaic, and the like, this number would be enormously increased. After all, mere numbers give very little idea of the facts; and it is sufficient to know that Latin comes very little behind French as to the number of primary words which it furnishes for our use.

§ 175. It is proper, too, to bear in mind that the mere number of primary words which appear in an etymological dictionary gives no real clue as to the proportional elements of the language when actually written or spoken. The number of primary words of native origin is not much greater than the number of such words of Latin origin, and is perhaps even less than the number of those of French origin; but the native words throw out such a rich abundance of derivatives and form fresh compounds so readily that their importance is, in practice, overwhelming, especially in the

spoken language of common life, in which most of the substantives and verbs and nearly all the relational parts of speech are of true old English origin. For all this, the importance of the study of Latin is very great to any Englishman who wishes to understand his own language fully; and it assumes even more importance from the usual contemptuous, or at any rate the ignorant, neglect of the study of 'the native element.' It is better to understand even a part of our language than to have no ideas about its structure at all.

§ 176. Another important fact about Latin is that a large number of Greek words have come to us by means of it; indeed. all Greek words have to be transliterated into Latin letters before we can make any use of them in English. will also be remembered that Latin is the main source of French and of the Romance Languages. Thus, from a purely linguistic point of view, the value of Greek as compared with Latin-for the mere purpose, I mean, of explaining English words-may be said to be very slight, except in the case of scientific and scholastic terms. But Greek is of the greatest assistance to the scientific philologist for the purposes of comparative philology, and has assumed, quite recently, an increased importance owing to the clearness with which it helps to explain the sounds of the Aryan (i. e. the primitive Indo-European) vowels. Of course it will be understood that, in thus estimating the value of Latin far above that of Greek for the peculiar purposes of English etymology, I am leaving altogether out of sight the consideration of the value of Greek from a literary point of view. That is altogether another matter; and, if we would think clearly, we should know how, at the proper moment, to think of one thing only at a time.

Owing to the facts that Latin is, as a rule, very well known, and that its forms are very distinct and clear, as well as quite accessible, it is unnecessary for me to treat it here very fully.

I shall therefore only mention such points as seem to be of primary importance.

§ 177. Influx of Latin Words; the Vulgate Version of the Bible. It has already been said that the influx of Latin words, owing to its literary use, has been fairly continuous in English, during some 1400 years. But it will be interesting to notice (far more slightly, however, than the subject deserves) the influence upon English of the Vulgate version of the Bible.

A convenient account of this celebrated Latin version will be found, under the heading Vulgate, in Smith's Dictionary of the Bible. The name, Vulgata editio, was originally applied to mean the current (Latin) text of Holy Scripture, and thus had different senses at different times; but we now employ the term to denote the Latin text as revised by St. Jerome (Eusebius Hieronymus) in the fourth century, and afterwards by Alcuin and others, especially Sixtus V (1590) and Clement VIII (1592), and now recognised as the authoritative text. In Wycliffe's time it was only extant in MSS. which did not always agree with each other; and the text then current had, of course, not received the later corrections which were made after his time. Nevertheless, the modern editions are, usually, a sufficient guide to his translation. The title-page of the edition now before me is - Biblia Sacra Vulgatæ Editionis Sixti V Pontificis Maximi jussu recognita et Clementis VIII: Auctoritate Edita: Parisiis; 1862.

§ 178. The Vulgate contains many curious words, not always easily found elsewhere. One such is caumate, Job xxx. 30, ablative of cauma, i. e. Gk. καθμα, heat; this gave an O. F. caume, soon turned into calme; whence E. calm, s. We may here note that the form calme is absolutely evolved, as a supposed older and more correct form, from caume; by analogy with paume, which really presupposes palme. In Prov. xxi. 9, we find 'in angulo domatis,' in the corner of a

house; where *domatis* represents the genitive of Gk. $\delta \hat{\omega} \mu a$; hence E. *dome*. In Job xix. 24 we find 'vel *celte* sculpantur in silice,' or that they may be graven in the flint with a chisel; this is the authority for the word *celtis*, a chisel, whence E. *celt*, applied to a flint implement ¹.

§ 179. It should be observed, moreover, that a large number of Latin words which might have been borrowed from other sources probably came into use the more readily from their occurrence in the Vulgate. If we think over such a word as unicorn, the quotation 'thou hast heard me also from among the horns of the unicorns,' Ps. xxii. 21 (in the Prayerbook), is apt to suggest itself; and, in days when the Latin psalms were at least as familiar to many as the Prayer-book version of the Psalms is now, many a man must have known by heart the sentence—'Salua me ex ore leonis, et a cornibus unicornium humilitatem meam.' Of course, too, Wycliffe has here the word vnycornes in his translation; for no other word will serve the turn. A perusal of Wycliffe's Version of the Psalms (the later version of which, as revised by Purvey, has been cheaply reprinted by the Clarendon Press) readily shows his use of Latin words due to the Vulgate; but most of these naturally occur in French forms, such as counsel, pestilence, fruit, just, perish (Ps. i). It is solely owing to the great familiarity which nearly all our early writers had with the French language, and, consequently, the perfect ease with which a Latin word could usually be turned into a French form, that I am unable to produce a long list of Latin words which are found both in the Vulgate version and in our modern English, and transplanted thence into English immediately. Even the word unicorn, mentioned above, may be taken to be the O. F. unicorne, which in modern F. has been so strangely turned into licorne. The ecclesiastics of

¹ Many MSS. read *certe*; A. V. 'for ever'; and it has been argued that *celte* is a mere mistake, and that *celtis*, a chisel, never existed. See the article on *celt* in the New E. Dictionary.

the thirteenth century were even more familiar with Anglo-French, their native language, than with Latin 1, so that, by Wycliffe's time, there was almost always a French form ready to take the place of all the common Latin words. Hence we can only find unchanged Latin forms, as distinct from French, in the comparatively rare instances where the corresponding French term fails. Nevertheless, I find a few such words; viz. corrupt (L. corrupti), Ps. xiv. 1 (xiii. 1)2; probably conventiculis, explained in a gloss to mean little couentis (little convents), where the Vulgate has conventicula (though Cotgrave's F. Dict. has conventicule), Ps. xvi. 4 (xv. 4). whence E. conventicle, which our A. V. omits to mention here; ceder (L. cedros), now cedar, already spelt ceder in A. S., Ps. xxix. 5 (xxviii. 5); cassia (L. casia), Ps. xlv. 8 (xliv. 9); manna (L. manna), Ps. lxxviii. 24 (lxxvii. 24); locust (L. locustæ), Ps. lxxviii. 46 (lxxvii. 46); palm-tree (L. palma), Ps. xcii. 12 (xci. 13), already found in A.S. as palm; pellican, E. pelican (L. pellicano), Ps. cii. 6 (ci. 7), given as a F. word in my Dictionary, but the A. S. dat. pellicane occurs in the version of the Psalms published by Thorpe³. In Ps. lxviii. 25 (lxvii. 26), Wycliffe translates 'juvencularum tympanistriarum' by 'of yonge dameselis syngynge in tympans'; but we have discarded tympans in favour of timbrels. In Ps. lviii. 9,

¹ Lewis Beaumont, bishop of Durham, 1317, understood not a word of either Latin or English. In reading the bull of his appointment, which he had been taught to spell for several days before, he stumbled upon the word metropolitice, which he in vain endeavoured to pronounce; and, having hammered over it a considerable time, at last cried out, in his mother-tongue, 'Seit pour dite! Par seint Lowys, il ne fu pas curteis qui ceste parole ici escrit.' I.e. 'Take it as said; by St. Louis, he was not very civil who wrote this word here.'—Craik, Eng. Literature, bk. ii.

² References to the Psalms are troublesome, as the numbering of them in the Vulgate differs from that of our Authorised Version. By 'xiv. 1 (xiii. 1)' is meant that Ps. xiv. in the A.V. is Ps. xiii. in the Vulgate.

³ At the same time, the words *cedar*, *cassia*, *manna*, *palm*, *pelican*, are not true Latin words, but are all borrowed.

(lvii. 10), he translates rhamnum by ramne, A. V. 'the thorns,' but we now use the term buckthorn for the Rhamnus of the botanists. In Ps. cv. 34 (civ. 34), where the A. V. has caterpillars, the Vulgate has 'et bruchus, cuius non erat numerus'; Wycliffe has—'and a bruk of which was noon noumbre.' Rhamnus and bruchus are from Gk. βάμνος, βροῦχος.

§ 180. Latin Words from the Vulgate. I now give a list of some words, which may fairly be considered as of Latin rather than of French origin; with references to some of the passages in the Vulgate where they occur. Of course it will be understood that some of them may easily have been introduced into our language from some other source; but the Vulgate is always a likely source, and the occurrence of a given word in it is of importance. I may also note that several of these words were introduced later than Wycliffe's time, and that Wycliffe does not always introduce Latin forms where we might, perhaps, expect him to do so. Thus the word abbreviate is not known earlier than 1450; in Mark. xiii. 20, Wycliffe has the F. form abredgide. In each case, it is sufficient to give a single reference to the Vulgate, and I give, by preference, references to the New Testament. Moreover, I beg leave to draw attention to the fact that I take my examples from an old Concordance to the Vulgate by M. de Besse, published at Paris in 1611, as it is precisely contemporary with our present Authorised Version. There are some differences of reading; thus, in Mark xiii. 20, where De Besse gives--- 'nisi Dominus abbreviasset dies,' the edition of 1862 has-'nisi breviasset Dominus dies.' The older text is the more instructive. Further, the list of Latin words is taken, mainly, from the list in my Dictionary, 2nd. ed., p. 752, which excludes words borrowed from Greek and Eastern languages. Perhaps it is worth while to remark that the Apocryphal Books were far better known formerly than they are now, at least in England.

§ 181. The following, then, are words of Latin origin which occur in De Besse's Concordance. It is unnecessary always to give the Latin forms, as they are obvious enough; or, in cases of doubt, they can be found in my Dictionary.

Abbreviate, Mk. xiii. 20; abdicate, 2 Cor. iv. 2; abduce, Ps. cxxxvi. 31; aberration (from aberrare), cf. aberrantes, 1 Tim. i. 6; abhor, Ecclus.2 xxxviii. 4; abject, Ps. lxxxiii. 11; ablution, Zech. xiii. 1; abnegation (from abnegare), cf. abnegantes, 2 Tim. iii. 5; abominate, Acts x. 28 (and common): abortive, Job iii. 16; abscind, Matt. v. 30; abscond, Matt. v. 14 (very common); absent, Col. ii. 5; absolve, Acts xix. 39; abstract, Acts, xxi. 1; accede, Matt. iv. 3 (common); accelerate, Gen. xviii. 6; acclaim (for acclame, cf. claim), Acts xii. 22; accommodate, Eccl. vii. 22; acid (L. acide, adverb), Ecclus. iv. 9; acquiesce, Rom. ii. 8 (common); acquire, Lu. xix. 16 (common); act, Acts (title); acute, Rev. i. 16; adapt, Exod. xxvi. 5; add, Lu. xx. 11 (common); adduce, Matt. xxi. 2 (very common); adequate, Hos. x. 1: adhere, Matt. xix. 5, etc.; adjacent (cf. cunctis quæ adiacent torrenti), Deut. ii. 37; adject (adiectum est), Ecclus. xlii. 223; adjudicate, Lu. xxiii. 24; adjure, Matt. xxvi. 63; administer, Acts xiii. 36; admit, Mar. v. 19; adolescent Matt. xix. 20 (common); adopt, Ex. ii. 10; adorn, 2 Macc. iii. 25; adult, Gen. xxv. 27; adulterate, Ezek. xxiii. 37; advent, Matt. xxiv. 3; adverse (nihil adversi), Judg. viii. 11; affect (affectos), Matt. xxii. 6; afflict, Heb. xi. 37; agent (gratias agente), John vi. 23; agglutinate, Jer. xiii. 11, Baruch iii. 4; aggravate, Gen. xviii. 20, etc.; agitate (agitatam), Matt. xi. 7; alacrity, Ecclus. xlv. 29; alias, Gen. xx. 12, Acts xiii. 35; alibi, Wisdom, xviii. 18; aliquot, Acts ix. 19; alleviate,

¹ References to the Psalms are to the numbering in the Vulgate Version. In the A. V., this reference is to Ps. cxxxvii. 3.

² Ecclus. = Ecclesiasticus (Apocrypha).

² There is often some disagreement as to the division into verses. Thus, in the Vulgate edition of 1862, this reference is to verse 21; and so in the A.V., which has 25 verses in the Chapter instead of 26.

Acts xxvii. 38, Jas. v. 15; alligation (alligatam), Matt. xxi. 2; allocution, Wisdom iii. 18, viii. 9, xix. 12; altitude, Matt. xiii. 5 (common); ambient (ambiens), Ezek. xlvi. 23; ambiguous, Deut. xvii. 8; ambulation (from ambulare, very common); amicable, Prov. xviii. 24; amputate (amputatis), Lev. xxii. 23, etc.; anile, 1 Tim. iv. 7; animadvert, Prov. i. 6, etc.; animal, Gen. vii. 14 (very common); annul, Ecclus. xxi. 5; antecedent, Matt. ii. 9; antediluvian (from diluuium); anticipate, Ps. lxxvi. 5, lxxviii. 8; anxious, Eccl. v. 10; aperient, cf. Acts v. 19; apex, Judithvii. 3, Matt. v. 18; apparatus, 1 Macc. ix. 35, xv. 32, 2 Macc. x. 18, etc.; appland, Jer. v. 51; apposite, Acts ii. 41, xi. 24; appreciate, Matt. xxvii. 9; apprehend, Matt. xiv. 31 (common); approximate, Ps. xxxi. 6, 9; aquatic, Wisdom, xix. 18; arbiter, Gen. xxxix. 11, Judg. xi. 27; arbitrate, Lu. vii. 7; arduous, Job xxxix. 27, Jer. iv. 29; area, Matt. iii. 12; arefaction (arefacta), Gen. viii. 14; arena (only in the sense of 'sand'); argillaceous (cf. argillosus), 1 Kings vii. 46, 2 Chr. iv. 17; arid, Matt. xii. 43; ark (A. S. arc, L. arca); arrogant, Isa. ii. 12; ascend, Jo. i. 51 (very common); ascribe, 2 Sam. xii. 28; aspect, Matt. xxviii. 3; asperse, Heb. ix. 13; assiduous, Jas. v. 16; assimilate, Mark iv. 30; assume, Matt. xii. 45 (common); astringent, Lev. viii. 8; astute, Prov. xiv. 15; attenuate, Lev. xxv. 25; attract (attraxit, Jer. ii. 24, attracta, Baruch, vi. 43); attribute, Numb. xxxvi. 12, Deut. xxix. 26; augur, Isa. ii. 6, xlvii. 13; august, 2 Chr. xv. 16; aureole (coronam aureolam), Ex. xxv. 25, xxxvii. 27; aurora, Gen. xxxii. 26; auscultation (from auscultare), Acts viii. 10; autumn, Isa. xxviii. 4; auxiliary, Judith iii. 8; ave, Lu. i. 28; avert, Matt. v. 42 (common); avocation, cf. auocare, Ecclus. xxxii. 15 (A. V. xxxii. 12); axis, 1 Kings vii. 30.

Belligerent (for belligerant, from belligerare, Micah iv. 3; cf. belligeratis, Jas. iv. 2); belt, A. S. belt (from L. balteus), Ex. xxviii. 4, 39. As to benefactor, it is remarkable that this word nowhere occurs in the Vulgate; in Luke xxii. 25,

where the A. V. has benefactors, the Vulgate has benefici; but the verb benefacere is common, and malefactor occurs thrice, Jo. xviii. 30, 1 Pet. ii. 12, 14. Bibber is from L. bibere; wine-bibber in Lu. vii. 34 translates bibens uinum. Biennial (from L. biennium, Acts xix. 10); bipartite, Ecclus. xlvii. 23; biped, Baruch, iii. 32; bitumen, Gen. vi. 14, xi. 3, xiv. 10, Ex. ii. 3; bland, Prov. xxix. 5; box-tree (buxus), Isa. lx. 13; bract (L. bractea) 1, Ex. xxxix. 3; (papal) bull (L. bulla, cf. ornamenta et bullas, Judg. viii. 21).

§ 182. The above notes relative to the words beginning with A and B will serve as a specimen of the words which we may expect to find in the Vulgate; it being remembered that the numerous words which took a French form are excluded from the list. The small number of words beginning with B is remarkable; the quotations for them, in the Concordance, occupy only one-eighth of the space occupied by A; and, after all, an unusually large proportion even of these are proper names. A few are of Greek origin, such as balsam. baptism, baptist, barbarous, etc., and will be considered hereafter, in discussing Greek loan-words. Even the French words beginning with B, and due to original Latin forms found in the Vulgate are very few; I may mention beast (A. F. beste, L. bestia, common); beatitude, Rom. iv. 6; beef, Lu. xiii. 15, etc.; benediction, benison, Rom. xv. 29; benevolence, 3 (or 1) Esdras, i. 12; benign, Lu. vi. 35; benignity, Rom. ii. 4; boil, v., Job. xli. 22 (cf. A. V. Job xli. 31); bounty, Rom. ii. 4; brace (O. F. brace, L. brachia 2, Dan. ii. 32); brief, I Cor. vii. 29. However, the next letter, viz. C, yields a large number both of French and Latin words; and I here throw out the hint, that I am not sure that the Latin Vulgate version has been so closely examined, for the purpose of explaining English etymologies, as it certainly deserves to be. For example, the gem called the carbuncle

¹ The classical form is brattea.

² The classical form is bracchia.

is mentioned in English as early as the thirteenth century; and this is the less surprising when we observe that it is mentioned in the Vulgate no less than four times; Ex. xxviii. 18, xxxix. 11; Ezek. xxviii. 13; Ecclus. xxxii. 7. (It does not occur in Isa. liv. 12 in the Vulgate, though the A. V. has carbuncles in this verse).

§ 183. Latin Words from other sources. But the Vulgate is by no means the sole source whence Latin words were readily imported into English. The use of Latin, for literary purposes, was, for a long time, supreme and almost universal. The old Charters, before the Conquest, are mostly in Latin, though the boundaries of the lands to which they relate are commonly described in Anglo-Saxon; and any good work upon English literature will explain the great importance of Latin in England in the middle ages. As Craik observes, 'it was the language of all the learned professions, of law and physic, as well as of divinity, in all their grades. It was in Latin that the teachers at the Universities (many of whom, as well as of the ecclesiastics, were foreigners) delivered their prelections in all the sciences, and that all the disputations and other exercises among the students were carried on.' It is still supposed to be, and commonly is, one of the few things which 'every schoolboy The result has been that we have borrowed knows.' words from it at all times, ever since the Christian era; for we have a few words, such as street, wall, etc., which go back to the time of the Roman occupation of Britain, and are technically called Latin words of the First Period; those of the Second Period being such as found their way into A. S., and those of the Third Period such as came into use after the Conquest. It is particularly useful as supplying us with scholastic and scientific words. The only language that competes with it for this purpose is Greek; and most of the Greek words were formerly borrowed through the medium of Latin, or through the medium of both Latin and French,

until the time of Edward VI, when they began to be borrowed directly. When, therefore, we find a Latin word in use in English, we have, at the outset, no clue to the date of its introduction; but it is usually easy to gain some idea of this date by a little research. In many cases, I have indicated the approximate date, within half a century, in my Dictionary: but there are doubtless some cases in which a certain word may have been introduced a couple of centuries earlier than I have succeeded in tracing it. Owing to the constancy and general invariability of the forms used in literary Latin, it is very seldom that a mistake in the date can at all affect the etymology; in the case, that is, where the word has been borrowed immediately. If, however, it came to us through the French, a considerable mistake as to the date may entirely mislead us, as has been shown in tracing the differences between Anglo-French and Central French.

§ 184. Words from Latin past participles. It is worth while, however, to take notice of one very curious mode in which the English language frequently coins verbs, not only from the Latin infinitive mood, but from the past participle. An easy example is seen in the E. word corrupt. The Lat. verb is corrumpere, pp. corruptus. Hence was formed the M. E. verb corrumpen, to become corrupt, as used in Chaucer's Knightes Tale, 1888 (Harl. MS.):—

'The clothred blood, for eny leche-craft, Corrumpith.'
In this place, the Ellesmere MS. has Corrupteth.

At the same time, corrupt was introduced as a past participle or adjective, as in Chaucer's Man of Lawes Tale, B. 519:—

'A maner Latyn corrupt was hir speche.'

But, inasmuch as *corrupt* did not seem, in English, sufficiently clearly marked as being a past participle, it was easy to mark it still more clearly by adding to it the E. suffix -ed (or -id). Hence it is that, in Wycliffe's translations of 2 Cor. iv.

16, we find several remarkably divergent forms. The Vulgate has 'noster homo corrumpatur'; and Wycliffe has, in the earlier version, 'oure man be coruptid (various readings, corumped, corrumptid, corupt, corrupt); but in the later version we find only 'oure vtter man be corruptid.' This use of the form corrupted with the double past participial suffix (the -t-being Latin, and the -ed English), really presupposed an E. verb corrupten, to corrupt, and it was thenceforth always in the power of any English writer to use corrupt either adjectivally, or as a verb, and to distinguish the adjectival from the participial form by using corrupt in the former case, and corrupted in the latter. This is precisely what took place, and we may easily illustrate this from Shakespeare, who has (1) the adjective, (2) the verb, and (3) the pp., as in the following examples:—

- (1) '. . . Knaves.., which in this plainness
 Harbour more craft and more corrupter ends
 Than twenty silly ducking observants
 That stretch their duties nicely.' K. Lear, ii. 2. 108.
- (2) 'You corrupt the song, sirrah.'—All's Well, i. 3. 85.
- (3) 'Whose conscience with injustice is corrupted.'
 2 Hen. VI, iii. 2. 235.

Again, from the verb to corrupt, it was easy to form the sb. corrupter.

'Away! away!

Corrupters of my faith!—Cymb. iii. 4. 85.

It should further be noticed that this process was much facilitated by the fact that, in Latin itself, the past participle often differed (apparently, at least) from a related substantive, in its ending only. Thus, in this very instance, where Shakespeare has *corrupter*, Cicero has *corruptor*, which again suggests the use of *to corrupt* as a verb. Once more, we find, in Latin itself, verbs formed from the pp. stem, as in the case of *tract-are*, to handle, which is the 'intensive' form

of trahere, pp. tract-us; and this very verb produced the A. F. traiter, *treiter, treter, M. E. treten, E. treat, in which the final -t is just as much due to the pp. suffix as in the case of corrup-t. With all these various causes at work, it is easy to see that Latin past participles passed into E. verbs with considerable ease.

& 185. The above are merely two instances out of many; as other examples, take abduct, abstract, addict, affect, afflict, assert, attract, attribute, bisect, circumvent, complete, concoct, conduct, confect, conflict, constitute, contort, contract, contradict, contribute, convict, correct, corrupt, etc., all with the characteristic suffix -t (or -te); and asperse, circumcise, circumfuse, collapse, compress, convulse, etc., with the characteristic suffix -ss (or -se). To these may be added a considerable number of French forms, such as accredit, acquaint, anoint, attaint, chant, collect, consult, content, etc., with the characteristic -t; and abuse, close, confess, comprise, etc., with the characteristic -ss (or -se). And it may further be noted, that such examples by no means exhaust the uses of the Lat. pp. suffix, as we again find the -t (from this source) in such words as cap-t-ive, cai-t-iff, ca-t-er, cap-t-ious, and the like; and the -s (from this source) in such words as cloi-s-ter, commi-ss-ion, conver-s-ion, etc. We even find instances in which French past participles have become E. verbs, as in accrue, counterfeit, forfeit, defeat, escheat.

§ 186. Verbs ending in -ate. I have purposely omitted from the above list a most curious and important set of verbs of this class, viz. our verbs in -ate; which deserve separate consideration. The use of them arose in much the same way. At first they appear adjectivally or as past participles, derived from the Latin past participles in -atus of the first conjugation. Thus Chaucer has desolat in the sense of 'deprived of, void of, left without,' in the line—'I were right now of tales desolat'; Man of Lawes Prologue, B. 131. Again, he has creat in the exact sense of 'created,' in the

first part of the Persones Tale (Six-text, l. 218): 'and al be it so that God hath creat alle thinges in right ordre,' etc. Here, curiously enough, the three best MSS, have creat, whilst the Corpus, Petworth, and Lansdowne MSS. have the form created; showing how readily the E. pp. suffix -ed was added in order to secure, as it were, that the word should be rightly taken. From Mr. Cromie's Rime-Index we also learn that Chaucer uses annunciat, consecrat, coagulat, determinat, exaltat, preparat, renegat. Similarly, in Murray's Dict... s. v. abrogate, we find that the earliest example (A. D. 1460), in Capgrave's Chronicle, 181, gives us:- 'So that statute was abrogat, and no lenger kept'; showing that abrogat was first used for the Lat. abrogatus, and the verb to abrogate was subsequently evolved from it, first appearing in 1526. also, in 1525, we find accommodate first used in the sense of 'fitted'; and, in 1533, we find accumulate in the sense of 'heaped up,' being probably older than accumulate as a verb. which is found in 1529. In 1471, we find aggravate in the sense of 'loaded' or 'burdened'; and in 1530, Palsgrave gives the verb to agravate (sic). Agitat, in the sense of 'tossed about,' occurs in 1567; and agitate, as a verb, in 1586. Alienate, in the sense of 'estranged,' occurs in 1430; and alienate, as a verb, in 1513. Although words in -at (later -ate) occur with the adjectival or past participial sense just before 1400 and are tolerably common in the fifteenth century, I find no clear evidence of the use of verbs in -ate before 1500; but in the sixteenth century the fashion of using them set in, and they were soon introduced in large numbers. The student is particularly referred to the admirable articles on the three suffixes of the form -ate in the New E. Dict., vol. i. p. 532, where the whole matter is well summed up¹. Murray suggests that the analogy for this English use

¹ Some of the special articles in this work evince sound and ripe scholarship, and it is doubtful if any one but Dr. Murray could have compiled them. The scanty praise which is sometimes accorded to the

of past participles 'was set by the survival of some Latin past participles in Old French, as O. F. confus, from confusus; content, from contentus; divers, from diversus.' Indeed, Chaucer uses confus in the same way, as in the following instance:—

'O Iugë cónfus in thy nycëtee!'
Sec. Non. Tale, G. 463.

It is perhaps worth while to add the remark that, owing to their length, some of these words were rather unmanageable in poetry, when the E. -ed came to be added; and consequently, our authors often kept up -ate as a pp. suffix after the verb had become fairly common. Thus Shakespeare uses suffocate both as a verb and as a pp.; Hen. V, iii. 6. 45; 2 Hen. VI, i. 1. 124. So also contaminate, Jul. Cæs. iv. 3. 24; Com. Err. ii. 2. 135; as well as contaminated, Much Ado, ii. 2. 25. In course of time, the past participle in -ated has become almost universal, and such forms as separate, deliberate, etc., when not used as verbs, are strictly adjectives.

§ 187. Words ending in -ete, -ite, -ute. These forms in -ate belong to the first conjugation of Latin verbs, and are very common. Similarly, we have forms in -ete, but they are very few; viz. complete, concrete, effete, obsolete, replete, used as adjectives; and complete, delete, and sometimes concrete, as verbs. Also, adjectives in -it (from Lat. -itus), as explicit, illicit, tacit, decrepit; or in -ite, as composite, opposite, recondite, etc.; with which compare the verbs deposit, elicit, exhibit, etc. Also, adjectives in -ite (from Lat. -ītus), as bipartite, exquisite, perquisite, polite; with the verbs expedite, ignite, unite. We have even a verb in -ote, viz. promote; but it results from a contraction. And lastly, we have adjectives in -ute, as absolute, destitute, dissolute, minute, resolute; with the verbs comminute, constitute, execute, institute, persecute, prosecute,

editor strikes me with astonishment; I can only suppose that scholarship (as regards our own language) cannot be recognised except by such as possess some small measure of it themselves.

substitute. All these illustrate the importance, in English Etymology, of the forms of the Latin past participles.

§ 188. Latin present participles. Of the forms of the Latin present participles, little need be said. The E. suffix -ant is sometimes of F. origin, as in pend-ant, ten-ant (L. pend-entem, ten-entem), and sometimes of L. origin, as in exuber-ant, luxuri-ant. It is very rarely that this suffix occurs in verbs, as in to covenant, to tenant, which are of English evolution. The E. suffix -ent is common, both from verbs in -ere, as in evid-ent, resplend-ent, transpar-ent; and from verbs in -ere, as in cresc-ent, incid-ent, resid-ent; or in -esc-ĕre, as in liqu-esc-ent, putr-esc-ent; or in one case, from -isc-ere, as concup-isc-ent. And lastly, we have the E. suffix -i-ent, from verbs in -īre, as in exped-i-ent, len-i-ent, obed-i-ent; or from verbs in -ere, as sap-i-ent; or from deponent verbs, as grad-i-ent, or-i-ent, pat-i-ent. Verbs from this source are extremely rare; yet we have coined the verb to patent. For the verbs to absent, to present, and to represent, we have authority in Latin itself. From this source come also our substantives in -nce (F. -nce, L. -ntia), such as luxuri-ance, evid-ence, pat-i-ence; and in -ncy, such as radi-ancy, ten-ancy, transpar-ency, len-i-ency; but several of these reached us through the medium of French.

§189. Latin is one of the Aryan (Indo-European) languages; see vol. i. § 84. Its vocabulary is largely original, the principal loan-words being Greek. It has been estimated that, 'in classical Latin, down to 300 B.C., there are 41,100 Latin words, of which, perhaps, 1000 are foreign; in classical Latin, down to A.D. 117, there are 26,300 words, of which about 3500 are from Greek and perhaps 300 from foreign languages.' See the article on 'Loan-words in Latin,' by E. R. Wharton, in the Phil. Soc. Trans., Dec. 21, 1888.

It is, of course, impossible to give, in a short space, an account of the principles of Latin Etymology. The student must consult the works which specially treat of this important

subject. Among these I may mention Karl Brugmann's Grundriss der Vergleichenden Grammatik der indogermanischen Strachen, of which two volumes have already appeared; there is an English translation of the first volume, by Dr. J. Wright (Trübner, 1888). Also Lateinische Grammatik, by Dr. Fr. Stolz and Dr. J. H. Schmalz, contained in Dr. Müller's Handbuch der klassischen Altertums-Wissenschaft (Nordlingen, 1889). The latest English work is Elliott's translation of the Short Comparative Grammar of Greek and Latin by Victor Henry (London, 1890); which is an excellent and accessible compendium of the more important philological facts relating to these languages. I may also mention here King and Cookson's Principles of Sound and Inflexion (Oxford, 1888), and Comparative Grammar (Oxford, 1890). I shall now take leave to introduce a few notes which, probably, some students may find useful.

- § 190. Pronunciation of Latin. We should remember to put aside the ordinary English pronunciation of Latin, which cannot, in any case, be other than grossly misleading. The precise old sounds of the Latin symbols cannot, perhaps, in every case, be quite accurately ascertained; but the following account may serve to give a first approximation to most of them. Cf. Sweet, *Primer of Phonetics*, p. 102.
- **A.** The short \check{a} may be sounded as Ital. \check{a} in $\check{a}m\bar{a}t\check{a}$, being the short vowel corresponding to the \bar{a} (aa) heard in E. psalm.
- **E.** The short \check{e} , as Ital. open e (è); or, nearly enough, as E. short open e in met. It is treated as open e in Folk-Latin.

The long \bar{e} , as Ital. close e (é) in $ar\bar{e}na$; it is the former and more important element of the diphthong (ei) which is the real value of the E. so-called 'long a' in name (neim); cf. E. vein (vein). It is treated as close e in Folk-Latin.

- I. Short i, as E. i in pity; long $\bar{\imath}$, as E. i in machine, or E. ee in meet.
- O. Short δ , as E. short open o in *not* or in *for*; treated as open o (δ) in Folk-Latin. Long \tilde{o} , as G. o (δ) in so, or G. oh in

ohne; or nearly as the former and chief element of the diphthong (ou) which is the real value of the E. so-called 'long o' in no (nou= $n\bar{o}\check{u}$). But before r, as in $pl\bar{o}ro$, or where it stands for au, as in $expl\bar{o}do$, it was probably the Ital. long open o, like the former o in Ital. toro (tòró). Long \bar{o} is treated as a close o in Folk-Latin.

- **U.** Short \ddot{u} , as oo in E. wood, foot. Long \ddot{u} , as u in E. rule, or oo in E. pool.
- **Y.** Not properly a Latin letter, but used to represent the Gk. v; sounded as G. \ddot{u} in *schützen*, if short, and as G. \ddot{u} in $gr\ddot{u}n$, if long.

The six diphthongs AE, AU, EU, OE, EI, UI 'are produced by pronouncing the separate vowels which compose them so quickly that they appear to form but one sound'; Postgate, *New Latin Primer*, p. 5. Or we may assign them the following values, which differ but little.

- **AE.** Descended from an O. Lat. ai, which was pronounced as E. ai in aisle, but fuller and broader, and ae may be pronounced in the same way. Confused in Folk-Latin with accented ĕ.
- **AU**. As G. au in Haus; somewhat fuller and broader than E. ou in house (but the latter may serve).
- **EU**. As Ital. eu in Europa, or Lat. ĕ quickly followed by Lat. ŭ. (Not common; so the E. eu in Europe may serve.)
- **OE.** As \ddot{o} rapidly followed by \ddot{e} ; nearly as E. oi in boil, which was the sound of the older Lat. oi.
 - EI. As E. ei in vein.

The Old Latin had also ai (like E. ai in aisle, but fuller and broader), which became ae (ae); as in aides, aedes (aedes), a temple. (The writing of this diphthong as ae is not classical.) In compound verbs it became ae, as in ae1 inquarere, from ae1 in and ae2 from ae3 in because the accent originally fell upon the prefix, which affected the sound of the ae3; see King and Cookson, ae3 in ae4 Inflexions, p. 79.

In precisely the same way L. au became \bar{u} in such cases

as in-clūdo, from claudo. Old Lat. ei became ī, as in O. L. deico, L. dīco. O. L. oi became oe, a; as in O. L. foidus, L. fædus. In some words it was still further changed into \bar{u} ; as in O.L. oinos, oenos, L. \bar{u} nus. O.L. ou commonly became \bar{u} ; as in O. L. loumen, L. lumen, and O. L. douco, L. duco. The L. i was also used as a consonant, with the power of E. v or G. j. It is now frequently (but not in the best editions) printed j, which makes English people sound it as E. j! The L. ēius, often printed ejus, was pronounced as (éé-yus), or in mod. E. spelling, ā-yoos. Those who are accustomed to pronounce it as j may profitably reflect upon the fact that j never appears in any Latin MS. of any reasonable age, for the plain reason that it is a purely modern symbol, and does not appear, for example, in the First Folio of Shakespeare. So also L. u was also used as a consonant, with the sound of E. w. Some time after the Christian era the sound was changed to that of E. v, and is now usually so printed. Pronounce auis, often printed avis, as (a wis); and pronounce uult, often printed vult, as (wult).

Consonants. Pronounce c always as E. k; and g always as E. g in get; even before e and i. Pronounce t as E. t in ten; even in ratio (ratioo). Pronounce d, p, b, f, qu, x, l, m, n, as in English; and always trill the r fully, even when final. Also h as E. h (initially), but note that it was very weak, and was easily dropped; we may pronounce it where written. S requires attention, because it is almost always voiceless; it must not be sounded as E. z when final, but the s in fraus (fraus), which rimes, nearly, with E. house, must be sounded precisely as in sic. Consequently, also, the b in urbs must be sounded as p; indeed, it is not unusual to find, in old MSS., the spelling scribtus for scriptus, the b being here also pronounced as p. In a few words, the s may have been sounded as E. s, originally ds (see below), between two vowels, as in the borrowed word rosa; but the s was certainly

voiceless in causa, as is shown by the spelling caussa in The voiced s had, in fact, disappeared from the language before the classical period, having passed into r; thus the genitive case of ros, dew, was originally *rossis, then *rōzis, and finally rōris. Hence z is only used in loanwords from Gk., where it may be pronounced as dz, as in zōna (dzoo·na), a zone, from Gk. ζώνη. We have already seen that z also had the sound to in O. French, as in modern German and Italian. The consonantal sounds of i and u. too often printed j and v, are like those of E. v and E. w respectively, as explained above. Ph, th, ch only occur in loan-words from Gk., in which case they may be sounded as p (later f), t, and k, though the Gk. sounds were different. viz. as p, t, k, followed in each instance by an aspirate, or a slight emission of breath. Thus the Gk. ch has been compared to the kh in E. ink-horn.

In pronouncing doubled consonants, each should be given distinctly, as in Italian.

§ 191. The broad romic symbols, given in vol. i. p. 336, may serve well enough to give the approximate sounds. According to this system we should represent \check{a} , \bar{a} by (a, aa); \check{e} , \bar{e} by (e, ee); \check{i} , \bar{i} by (i, ii); \check{o} , \bar{o} by (0, 00); \check{u} , \bar{u} by (u, uu); and \check{y} , \bar{y} by (y, yy). We should notice, however, that (ee) and (00) are not the long sounds of (e) and (0), but are close, instead of open; they might be written ($\acute{e}\acute{e}$), ($\acute{o}\acute{o}$), \check{e} and \check{o} being denoted by (è) and (\check{o}). But this is not necessary, as it can be borne in mind. Further, we can denote a by (ai); au by (au); au by (eu); au by (oi); and the consonantal au and au by (y) and (w). As these symbols are founded on the sounds of the Latin alphabet, the phonetic spelling of Latin words agrees with the actual spelling to a considerable extent, and the alteration in the appearance of words is not great. Examples are: ciues (kiiwees); iuuencus (yuwenkus); caussa,

 1 This gives two sounds to the symbol y ; but it matters little in practice. The vowel (y) only occurs in Greek words.

or causa (kausa); origine (oriigine); qui (kwii); ducere (duukere); etc. It should be added that a final vowel, or a final vowel followed by m (including the m) is very slightly pronounced when the next word begins with a vowel.

The opening lines of the Æneid may be expressed, phonetically, as follows:—

Arma wirungkwe kanoo Trooyai kwii priimus ab ooriis Iitaliam, faatoo profugus, Laawiinakwe weenit Liitora; multum ille¹ et terriis yaktaatus et altoo, Wii superum, saiwai memorem Yuunoonis ob iiram.

§ 192. Exceptions to Grimm's Law. Grassmann's Law. The actual values of the Latin consonants, as compared with those of the original Aryan system, are given in the table in vol. i. 125; and numerous examples are given in the same, pp. 126-141, where the usual sound-changes illustrative of Grimm's law, are exemplified. The apparent exceptions to Grimm's law, as explained by Verner's law, are discussed in the same, pp. 148-155². See also King and Cookson, Sounds and Inflexions, etc., p. 256, where two other sources of exceptions to Grimm's Law are pointed out, which are worth notice, and which I here copy.

Some exceptions are due to 'special combinations of consonants. Indo-European (Aryan) sk, st, sp are "protected" by the hard spirant s, which remains unchanged; the following hard mutes (k, t, p) do not, as by Grimm's Law, become the corresponding aspirated mutes [in Low German], but remain unaltered.

'Again, in the special case of the Indo-European combinations kt, pt, the k and p by Grimm's Law become h and f respectively [in Low German], but the following hard dental

¹ Or read: mult' ill' et, &c. But observe how, in modern Italian, a singer takes two or three vowels on one note.

² There is a mistake in vol. i. p. 148, in the statement of Verner's Iaw. For 'but if it precedes the position of the accent,' simply read 'otherwise.'

(t) is unchanged [so that kt, pt become ht, ft]. See Kuhn's Zeitschrift, xi. 161; Paul and Braune, Beiträge, 5. 538.

'Another class of exceptions fall under the head of Grassmann's Law (Kuhn's Zeitschrift, xii. 81): by which, in the apparently anomalous cases like Skt. duhitar (=Goth. dauhtar), Skt. bandh (=Goth. bindan), it is shown that the Indo-European stem began and ended with an aspirate, but that in the derived languages the double aspirate was not tolerated, and accordingly the Indo-European bhendh- became Skt. bandh-, Gk $\pi \epsilon \nu \theta$ - (for $\phi \epsilon \nu \theta$ -, in $\pi \epsilon \nu \theta \epsilon \rho \sigma s$, $\pi \epsilon i \sigma \mu a$), Lat. of-fend-ix, and Goth. bindan, quite regularly.'

§ 193. Primitive Aryan Vowels. As regards the Latin vowels, it is to be noted that the old supposition (derived from a too close following of the Sanskrit vowelsystem) that the Aryan vowel-system had but three primary vowels, a, i, and u, is now abandoned. I regret that I followed this system in my Dictionary, as later discoveries have shown it to be wholly untenable. The Aryan system certainly had at least 1 five primary vowels, viz. a, e, i, o, u, besides numerous diphthongs; and it is only in Sanskrit that these are reduced to three. Thus, in the root ED, to eat, the e is vouched for by Gk. ἔδ-ειν, Lat. ed-ere, A. S. et-an, G. ess-en; it is only in Skt. that the e is reduced to the obscure vowel (a), written a, so that the Skt. form is ad, pronounced so as to rime with E. mud. In the root OD, to smell, the o is vouched for by the Gk. ὄζειν (=ὅδ-yειν), Lat. od-or. According to the old system, as given in my Dictionary (second ed. p. 730), these distinct roots were confused under the common form AD.

§ 194. Sonant Liquids. Another important discovery is that the liquids l, m, n, r existed, in the Aryan system, not only as consonants, but as 'sonants,' i.e., practically, as vowels. The use of the vocalic l, m, n, r is common in

¹ The Aryan system had also an indeterminate vowel, which may be written (a). See Brugmann, *Grundriss*, § 109.

English, as in bottle, fathom, button, butter (bot'l, fædh'm, bət'n, bət'r); the l in bottle may be dwelt upon, and prolonged at pleasure. The r in butter is only heard when a vowel follows, as in 'the butter is good'; and, even in this example, the sounding of the true vocalic r is considered provincial or vulgar. For example, the Aryan stem of the word for 'heart' was KRD, with vocalic r, and it is owing to the different ways in which the various languages treated this vocalic r that we get such varying spellings as Gk. $\kappa a \rho \delta la$, Lat. cord lis (genitive), Lithuan. szird lis, Ch. Slavon. srid lis, O. Irish crid lis; where the fluctuation between Lith. lis and Ir. lis is instructive lis.

In Latin, the usual representatives of the vocalic l, r, m, n are ol or ul, or or ur, em, and en, respectively. Greek commonly has $a\lambda$ or λa , $a\rho$ or ρa , $a\mu$ or a, $a\nu$ or a. Skt. has usually vocalic r for the two former, and am, an, or a for the two latter. Examples are as follows.

Vocal l. Skt. prthu-, large, Gk. πλατύs, broad. Skt. mrj (for *mrg), to wipe, stroke; L. mulg-ere, to milk; allied to A. S. meoluc, E. milk. Lat. tul-i, pt. t. of tol-lere; see Brugmann, § 295. (Not common in Latin.)

Vocal r. Gk. καρδ-ία, κραδ-ίη, Lat. cord-, heart. Lat. porc-a, the ridge between two furrows; A. S. furh, furrow. Skt. rkshas, a bear, L. ursus. Gk. πράσαν, a leek; L. porrum (for *porsum).

Vocal m. Skt. daça, ten; Gk. δέκα; L. decem; Goth. taihun; all from an original *dekm, with vocal m. Skt. saptan, seven; Gk. έπτά; L. septem; Goth. sibun; A. S. seofon; E. seven (sev:n); all from an original *septm, with vocal m. Cf. L. dec-im-us, sept-im-us.

Vocal n. Skt. $n\bar{a}m-a$, name (stem $n\bar{a}man$); Gk. $\ddot{a}-\nu o \mu-a$, L. nom-en. Gk. $\tau a-\tau \delta s$, stretched, L. ten-tus; for *tntus, with vocal n.

 $^{^1}$ Compare Skt. hrd, heart, where the initial letter does not correspond. We should expect the form crd.

§ 195. Accentuation. The proof of the existence of original sonant liquids is closely bound up with the theory of vowel-gradation and with the history of accentuation. been shown that accentuation plays a most important part in the vowel-systems of all the Aryan languages. For example, the Latin prepositions, when used as prefixes to verbs. originally received the accent; and the unaccented form of a Latin root is usually different from its accented form, and shows a weaker vowel. Clear examples occur in cáp-io, I take, with its derivatives \acute{ac} - $c\breve{\imath}p$ -io, \acute{bc} - $c\breve{\imath}up$ -o; we even find ein párti-ceps, and we shall presently see why. From sál-io, I leap, we have in-sil-io, sal-to, in-sul-to. From ag-o, I drive, we have \(\ell x - ig - o\); and even \(\cdot c \overline{g} - o\), for \(^*c 6 - ig - o\), \(\delta \overline{g} - o\), for *dé-ig-o. From lég-o, I gather, we have cól-lig-o, é-lig-o. Again, in past tenses formed by reduplication, the accent fell on the augment or prefix, as in the case of cáno, I sing, pt. t. cé-cin-i, which shows the same weakening.

§ 196. We may notice, accordingly, in Latin, the following vowel-changes of this nature.

Original Vowels ă ĕ a (in position) æ au oe Weakened Vowels ĭ, ŭ ĭ e (in position) ī ō, ū ū

(By the phrase 'in position' is meant that the vowel is followed by two consonants; cf. the phrase 'long by position.')

The following are some of the chief examples.

r. ă > ĭ. Facio, efficio; iacio, obicio; lacesso, elicio; placeo, displiceo; taceo, reticeo; ago, exigo; frango, infringo; pango, impingo; tango, contingo. Cf. E. efficient, elicit, reticent, exigent, infringe, impinge, contingent. Also: fateor, confiteor; lateo, delitesco; statuo, constituo; cado, accido; cano, concino; cf. E. constituent, accident. Also: capio, incipio; rapio, arripio; sapio, desipio; habeo, inhibeo; cf. E. incipient, insipid, inhibit. Also: calo, concilium; salio, resilio; cf. E. conciliate, resilient. So also in the past tenses; cano, cecini; cado, cecidi; pango (base pag), pepigi;

tango (base tag), tetigi. And in some compounds; caput, occiput, sinciput.

- ă>ŭ. Capio, occupo, nuncupo (i.e. nomen capio); cf. E. occupy. Quatio, discutio (for *disquetio); calco, inculco; salio, insulto; cf. E. discuss, inculcate, insult.
- 2. ĕ>i. *Specio (=Gk. σκέπ-τομαι, cf. speci-es, speci-men, and the pt. t. spexit, which is found), perspicio, suspicio; cf. E. perspicuous, suspicious. Egeo, indigeo; lego, diligo, intelligo, negligo; rego, dirigo; cf. E. indigent, diligent, intelligent, negligent, dirge (short for dirige). Peto, propitius (orig. 'flying forward,' see Bréal, Dict. Étymologique Latin); sedeo, assideo, dissideo, insideo, præsideo, resideo, subsidium; cf. E. propitious, assiduous, dissident, insidious, president, resident, subsidy. Teneo, abstineo, contineo, pertineo; emo, redimo; premo, reprimo; cf. E. abstinent, continent, pertinent, reprimand. So too in other compounds; decem, duodecim. And cf. septem, septimus; carmen, gen. carminis, &c. Note, however, that e is not changed when r follows; as in fero, confero; cf. E. conference.
- 3. a > e (in position). When the a is 'in position,' i.e. followed by two consonants, it is only weakened to e instead of to i. This is strikingly shown in examples like fateor, where the compound confiteor has the pp. confessus; so, again, the verb apiscor gives adipiscor, but aptus gives ineptus; cf. E. confess, inept. Note also: facio, efficio, pp. effectus; iacio, obicio, pp. obiectus; capio, incipio, pp. inceptus; rapio, surripio, pp. surreptus; cf. E. effect, object, s., inceptive, surreptitious (the last of these may have been confused with surrepere, to creep in upon, but is properly a derivative of rapere). And the a is often preserved, as in contactus, from tangere; cf. E. contact. Other examples are seen in: iacto, coniecto, eiecto, iniecto, obiecto, proiecto, reiecto (E. conjecture, eject, inject, object, v., project, v., reject); tracto, detrecto; capio, princeps, auceps, forceps; cf. E. detrectation, prince, forceps. Also: arceo, exerceo; spargo, aspergo, dis-

pergo; carpo, excerpo; patro, perpetro; sacro, consecro; cf. E. exercise, asperse, disperse, excerpt, perpetrate, consecrate. So too in the past tenses: parco, peperci; fallo, fefelli. And in compounds: arma, inermis; barba, imberbis; cantus, accentus; castus, incestus; pars, expers; cf. E. accent, incest.

- 4. ae > ī. Laedo, collido; quaero, acquiro, inquiro, requiro; cf. E. collide, acquire, require; the two last were originally borrowed from French, but were refashioned under Latin influence. Compare also: caedo, pt. t. cecīdi.
- 5. au > ō, ū. Plaudo, (also) plodo, explodo; cf. E. explode. Claudo, excludo, includo; cf. E. exclude, include. So also in derivatives; faux, suffōco, E. suffocate; causa, accūso, excūso, E. accuse, excuse.
- 6. oe > ū. Poena, punio, impunitas; E. punish, impunity. Moenia, munio; E. muniment, ammunition.
- § 197. Some of the Latin vowels are due to their peculiar position, as when Latin has quinque for *penque (cf. Gk. $\pi \acute{e} \nu \tau \acute{e})$ ¹; or, again, as when Latin turns an unaccented o into u, as in domus for *domos (cf. Gk. $\delta \acute{e} \mu o s$), genus for *genos (cf. Gk. $\gamma \acute{e} \nu o s$); the account of these vowels must be sought in works that deal specially with the subject. But we meet with other cases of vowel-change of a more remarkable character, as when we observe the interchange of e with o. Thus soc-ius is allied to sequ-i; tog-a to teg-ere; proc-us to prec-or; mon-eo to men-s; noc-eo to nex (necs).

Vowel-gradation. Such examples at once remind us of the changes of gradation seen in A.S. verbs; and a comparison with Greek, in which the vowel-gradation is much clearer, completely establishes the nature of these gradations, which are fully given by Brugmann. Some of the series show as many as four, or even five gradations of a given vowel-sound, and the attempts to reduce each of the series to a set of three, viz. weak grade, middle grade, and strong grade, have not as yet been successful.

¹ In for en is common in English; see vol. i. § 377.

Brugmann (Grundriss, § 309) distinguishes six ablaut-series (series of vowel-gradation) in the original Aryan. 'They all,' he says, 'have one grade in which the vowel of the syllable has entirely disappeared '.' Representing this by 0, we have the following vowel-series.

ε-series: 0, ε, ο, ε̄, ο̄.
 ε̄-series: 0, ə, ε̄, ο̄.
 ā-series: 0, ə, ā, ο̄.
 ō-series: 0, ə, ο̄.
 a-series: 0, a, ā, ο̄.
 a-series: 0, a, ā, ā¹.
 ο-series: 0, ο̄, ο̄.

- § 198. The student is referred to Brugmann for the details. I only make here a few notes.
- 1. (a) The first of these series is the most common and important. Here belongs L. fer-o, Gk. φέρ-ω, I bear; and the A. S. ber-an, to bear. The o appears in Gk. φόρ-τος, a burden; and in the A. S. bær (Teut. bar, for *bor)³. Examples in Latin are rare. We may note tego, toga; cad. sequor, socius; precor, procus; neco, noceo; mens, moneo; mens traited mentioned above. Also sed-eo, I sit, as compared with sol-ium (for *sod-ium), a throne.
 - (b) The same e-series includes roots in which the semi-vowel y or w is added to the e, giving ey (Gk. ει) or ew (Gk. ευ). In this case the addition of the same to the vowel o gives ey (Gk. οι) or ow (Gk. ου); whilst the zero-grade (grade with no e or o) still contains y (Gk. ι) or w (Gk. ν). Examples appear in Gk. λείπ-εω, to leave, pt. t. λέ-λοιπ-α, 2 aor. ἔ-λιπ-ου, corresponding to the gradation of A. S. dríf-an, to drive, pt. t. dráf, pp. drif-en; and again in Gk. ἐ-λεύσομαι, for *ἐ-λευθ-σομαι, I shall come, pt. t. εἰλή-λουθ-α, 2 aor. ἤ-λῦθ-

¹ Thus the gen. of L. pa-ter is pa-tr-is; the root ster- is reduced to str- in str-uo; etc.

² Printed: '0, α (0?), $\bar{\alpha}$, \bar{o} ' in § 309, but '0, α , d, \bar{a} ' in § 318; see examples below.

³ Gk. o answers to Teut. α , A. S. α , α , $e\alpha$; hence the A. S. pt. t. $b\alpha r$ belongs to the o-grade.

ov, corresponding to the gradation of A. S. céos-an, to choose, pt. t. céas, pp. cor-en (Goth. kius-an, pt. t. kaus, pp. kus-ans).

- (c) The zero-grade of Gk. er ($\epsilon \rho$) is simply r, which is vocalic, and is represented by ρa or $a \rho$. Hence the 2nd agrist of $\delta \epsilon \rho \kappa o \mu a$, I see (pt. t. $\delta \epsilon \delta o \rho \kappa a$), is, regularly, $\epsilon \delta \rho a \kappa o \nu$. Similarly, we have $a \lambda$ for vocalic l in $\epsilon \beta a \lambda o \nu$, I cast, allied to $\beta \epsilon \lambda o \kappa$, a dart, and to $\beta \delta \lambda \acute{\eta}$, a throw. The total loss of vowel in the zero-grade is exemplified in $\epsilon \pi \tau \delta \mu \eta \nu$, 2 aor. of $\pi \epsilon \tau o \mu a \iota$, I fly; the o-grade is seen in $\pi \sigma \tau \acute{\eta}$, flight. See King and Cookson, Sounds, &c., p. 245. In A.S., the zero-grade always appears in strong past participles; as in bor-en, from ber-an; drunc-en, from drincan, for *drencan (cf. Icel. drekka); drif-en, from dr $\bar{\iota} f$ -an (for *dreif-an); cor-en, Goth. kus-ans, from ceos-an, Goth. kius-an, for *keus-an. Here the -or-in bor-en represents vocalic r, and the -un- in druncen represents vocalic r.
- (d) The e-series also contains roots in which the e is followed by n or m. For example, the \sqrt{bhendh} , to bind, varies to bhond, with a zero-grade bhndh, in which the n is vocalic. In Teutonic the corresponding root would be bend, varying to bond and bnd. In Anglo-Saxon, en becomes in, and on becomes an, whilst the vocalic n is represented by un; hence the verb bindan, to bind, pt. t. band, pp. bunden, belongs to the e-series. The same is true for nim-an, to take (G. nehmen, with eh for e), pt. t. nam, pp. num-en, where um represents vocalic m.
- 2. The e-series may be exemplified by the $\sqrt{dh\bar{e}}$, to place, put, do, Gk. τi - $\theta \eta$ - $\mu \iota$. Here belongs Goth. ga- $d\bar{e}$ -ths, a deed, A. S. $d\bar{e}$ -d, $d\bar{e}$ -d, E. deed. The change to \bar{o} appears in Goth. $d\bar{o}m$ -s, A. S. $d\bar{o}$ -m, E. doom. The weak-grade $dh\bar{o}$ appears in Gk. $\theta \epsilon$ - $\tau o s$ and \tilde{e} - $\theta \epsilon$ - τo , the syllable $\theta \epsilon$ being in both cases unaccented.

Here also belongs $\sqrt{s\bar{e}}$, to sow; cf. Lat. $s\bar{e}$ -men, seed, A. S. $s\bar{\alpha}$ -d, E. see-d. The \bar{o} appears in the Goth. sai- $s\bar{o}$, reduplicated past tense of sai-an, to sow. The s appears in Lat. $s\bar{\alpha}$ -tus, sown.

Also $\sqrt{l\bar{e}d}$, to let; Goth. $l\bar{e}t$ -an, to let. The \bar{o} is in Goth. lai- $l\bar{o}t$, pt. t. of $l\bar{e}t$ -an. The \bar{o} is in Lat. las-sus (for * $l\bar{o}d$ -sus), Goth. lat-s, weary, lazy, A. S. lat, slow, E. late.

- 3. The \bar{a} -series may be exemplified by the $\sqrt{st\bar{a}}$, to stand, as in Skt. a-sth \bar{a} -m, Gk. $\tilde{\epsilon}$ - $\sigma\tau\eta$ - ν , Lat. $st\bar{a}$ -men (whence E. stamen, stamina), Goth. $st\bar{o}$ -ls, A. S. $st\bar{o}$ -l, E. stool. The grade sto appears in Lat. $st\bar{a}$ -tus, $st\bar{a}$ -tio (E. state, station); Goth. $st\tilde{a}$ -ths, A. S. $st\tilde{\epsilon}$ -de, E. stead, a place.
- 4. For the \bar{o} -series, take $\sqrt{d\bar{o}}$, to give, as in Gk. δi - $\delta \omega \mu \iota$, I give; L. $d\bar{o}$ -num, a gift, whence E. donation; L. $d\bar{o}$ -s, a dowry, whence E. dowry, endow. Stem $d\bar{o}$, in L. $d\bar{a}$ -tus, whence E. date, a given point of time, and E. data, pl.
- 5. For the a-series, take $\acute{a}g$ -o, I drive; whence E. agent. The a is here accented, but it also occurs without the accent, as in Gk. $\acute{\epsilon}n$ -ak- $\tau\acute{o}s$, whence E. epact. The long \bar{a} occurs in L. amb- $\bar{a}g$ -es, a roundabout way; and in Gk. $\sigma\tau\rho\alpha\tau$ - $\eta\gamma$ - $\acute{o}s$, a leader, whence E. strategy.

By the addition of w or y to the vowel, we get the parallel grades: u, \bar{u} , aw(au), $\bar{a}w(\bar{a}u)$; and: i, $\bar{\imath}$, av(ai), $\bar{a}y(\bar{a}i)$. As an example of the latter, take \sqrt{aydh} , to burn. The grade $\bar{\imath}$ is in Skt. idh- $m\acute{a}s$, fire-wood, Gk. $i\theta$ - $ap\acute{o}s$, serene, pure; the grade $\bar{\imath}$, in Skt. $\bar{\imath}dh$ - $r\acute{\imath}ya$, belonging to the serene sky, O. H. G. $\bar{\imath}t$ -al, pure, clear, A. S. $\bar{\imath}d$ -el, vain, E. idle; and perhaps in Lat. pl. $\bar{\imath}d$ -us, scil. noctes, the clear nights, the ides. The third grade is in Gk. $a\acute{\imath}\theta$ - ω , I kindle, whence E. ether; L. as-tas, summer; O. H. G. eii, A. S. $\bar{a}d$, a funeral pile.

We may also refer hither verbs conjugated like A. S. scac-an, to shake, pt. t. scōc, pp. scac-en; so also A. S. far-an, to go, G. fahr-en. In particular, Lat. ag-ere is cognate with Icel. ak-a, to drive, pt. t. $\bar{o}k$; where Icel. \bar{o} answers to Aryan \bar{a} , by rule. This explains the A. S. form scōc also; cf. A. S. $br\bar{o}bor$ with L. frāter.

6. For the o-series, take \sqrt{od} , to smell, whence L. od-or, E. odour. The \bar{o} is in Gk. $\epsilon \dot{v} - \omega \delta - \eta s$, sweet smelling. Cf. Lat. $f \check{o} d - i o$, I dig, pt. t. $f \check{o} d \dot{i}$.

It may be added that, owing to the complexity of these changes, and to the fact that the same vowel (as a) occurs in more than one of them, the series were occasionally confused; and examples occur which can hardly be explained in any other way.

- § 199. Combination of Consonants. An account of the mode in which the Aryan and Latin consonants were combined in Latin, i. e. of the 'laws of consonantal combination,' is given in King and Cookson's Sounds, &c., pp. 200-221. From this account I extract a few of the more striking examples. I wish it to be understood that, in offering this and similar extracts, I make no pretence at all of explaining the results, or even of giving a full summary of them. But I think it is of great importance to tell students what they may expect to find; especially as the ordinary grammars tell us so little about phonology.
- I. S is often lost in initial sc, sp, st; always in initial sm, sn, sl. Exx.: cor-ium, leather (for *scor-ium); cf. scor-tum, hide. L. curt-us (for *scur-tus); cf. A. S. sceort, E. short; so that curt and short are allied. E. esquire, from L. scū-tum, is allied to E. cuticle, from L. cŭtis, skin (cf. Gk. κύτος, σκῦτος, hide), and even to E. hide (see G. Haut in Kluge). L. cau-ere (for *scau-ere), whence E. caution, is allied to E. shew, show. E. thunder and Lat. (tono are allied to Gk. στέν-ειν) to sigh, groan, whence E. Stentorian, and to Skt. stan, to sigh, to thunder. L. teg-o is the same as Gk. στέγ-ω. L. tund-o (base tud) is allied to E. stutt-er. L. pumex, whence E. pumice-stone, is for *spumex, from spuma, foam, whence E. spume. L. mi-rus, whence E. miracle, admire is for *smī-rus, allied to E. smile, Swed. smila. mord-eo, whence E. morsel, remorse, is for *smord-eo; cf. Gk. σμερδ-νός, terrible, and A. S. smeort-an, to sting, to smart 1. L. nix, cognate with E. snow. The E. slime

 $^{^1}$ In my Dict., s. v. smart, I give the verb smeortan as unauthorised; but it occurs in fyr-smeortende, stinging like fire, in Ælfred's Orosius, i. 7.

- A. S. slīm, is allied to O. H. G. slīmen, to make smooth, and L. līmare, to file; whether it is further allied to L. līmus, mud (allied to E. lime, loam) is not quite certain. L. laxus (for *slag-sus) whence E. lax, and L. langueo, whence E. languish, are allied to A. S. sleac, E. slack. L. lubricus, slippery, whence E. lubricate, is allied to E. slip (Brugmann, Grund. § 570). L. līs, locus, stand for Old L. stlis, stlocus.
- 2. Initial szv is variously treated. L. suauis, whence E. suave, is allied to A. S. swēte, E. sweet. The w is perhaps lost in L. sī, Oscan svai, Umbrian sve; cf. A. S. swá, whence E. so, with a like loss. Also in sudor (for *swoidor), sweat, allied to A. S. swát and E. sweat (Brugmann, § 170). We find sofor swe- in L. sor-or, allied to A. S. sweostor, Icel. systir, E. sister; in L. sop-or (whence E. soporific), allied to A. S. swef-n, M. E. swev-en, a dream, and to L. somnus (whence E. somnolent), for *swep-nos, Gk. vπ-vos, sleep. L. sordidus (whence E. sordid) is probably allied to A. S. sweart, E. swart.
- 3. The usual assimilation of voiced letters to voiced, and of voiceless letters to voiceless, takes place; see vol. i. § 318. Thus the pp. of ag-o is ac-tus (for *ag-tus); that of scrib-o is scrip-tus (often written scribtus in MSS.); that of ueho (=*uegh-o), is uec-tus.

But the pp. suffix -tus often appears as -sus. This chiefly takes place when the Aryan root ends in t, th, d, or dh, in which case the dental is changed to s by a process described in V. Henry's Grammar, § 64, producing the suffix -s-sus after a short vowel, and -sus (simply) after a long one. Cf. Brugmann, Grundriss, § 501.

Exx.: concussus, missus; fissus, possessus, scissus; iussus; for *concut-tus, *mit-tus; *fid-tus, *possed-tus, *scid-tus; *iudh-tus. Also u\bar{\text{\varphi}}-sus, c\alpha-sus; l\alpha-sus; for *u\bar{\varphi}d-tus, *c\alpha d-tus, *l\alpha d-tus.

The final dental of the root is lost when it follows a nasal

or liquid; as in uer-sus, from uert-ere, sen-sus, from sent-ire, mor-sus from mord-ere, scan-sus from scand-ere. So also tend-ere gives ten-sus (for *tend-tus); but in this case we have also ten-tus (for *tn-tus, with vocalic n, cf. Gk. τατόs). Exceptions to this rule are the result of analogy, or are due to the influence of the form of the perfect tense.

4. An original t, th, d, dh, followed by tr, becomes s, producing str. Exx.: ros-trum (E. ros-trum) from rod-o; claus-trum, whence E. cloister, from claud-o; ras-trum, a rake, from rad-o; pedes-tris¹, whence E. pedestrian, from pedit-, stem of pedes, one who goes on foot; eques-tris¹, whence E. equestrian, from equit-, stem of eques, a horseman; frustra, in vain, whence E. frustrate, for *frud-tra, allied to L. acc. fraud-em, whence E. fraud.

Dh-t>st; as in L. æs-tas (whence F. été), summer, from \sqrt{aidh} , to burn, whence also Gk. αΐθω and E. ether. So also L. cus-tos, whence E. custodian; from \sqrt{keudh} , to hide, whence also Gk. κένθ-ειν and A. S. hyd-an, E. hide. E. cas-tus, whence E. chaste and incest; from \sqrt{kadh} , to purify (?), whence Gk. καθαρόs, pure. L. mani-fes-tus, lit. 'struck by the hand,' hence, palpable (whence E. manifest); from \sqrt{bhendh} , appearing in *fend-ere, to strike, as seen in offendere, whence E. offend.

5. Assimilation is very common, especially in the case of prefixes; in such cases, the latter letter of the combination remains, and the other is made like it. Thus ad-remains in E. ad-mire, but otherwise appears as ab-, ac-, af-, ag-, al-, an-, ap-, ar-, as-, at-, according to the letter which follows it; as in E. abbreviate, accede, affix, aggressive, allude, annex, append, arrogate, assign, attract; all of L. origin. The prefix com- (for cum, with), appears as co-, col-, com-, con-, cor-; as in E. co-agulate, collect, commute, connect, corrode. The prefix ob- appears as ob-, oc-, of-, op-; as in E. oblong,

¹ Not pedis-tris, equis-tris; cf. § 165 (3).

occur, offer, oppress. The prefix sub- appears in sub-mit, but otherwise as su-, suc-, suf-, sug-, sum-, sup-, sur-; as in E. su-spect, succeed, suffuse, suggest, summon, suppress, surrogate; all of L. origin.

6. The L. s is voiceless. Between two vowels, it became voiced, but instead of remaining as z, it passed into r; of which there are numerous interesting examples. Thus *geso became *gezo, and then gero; but the s remains in ges-si, ges-tus. The genitive of funus is funer-is, for *funes-is, which appears in the adj. funes-tus. The gen. of rus is rur-is (for *rus-is); cf. E. rus-tic, rural. E. nefarious is from L. nefarius, for *nefas-ius, adj. formed from nefas. E. diurnal is from L. diurnalis, formed from dius, connected with dies, a day. E. veteran is from veter-, for *vetes-, from vetus, old; cf. the O. Lat. form veter, old, in Ennius; &c.

When s precedes a voiced consonant, especially d, or the liquid l, it is first voiced to z, and is then lost altogether, with a lengthening of the preceding vowel, if accented. Thus we find trēdecim for tres-decim, thirteen; \$\overline{i}dem\$ for isdem; so likewise \$i\overline{u}-dex\$, whence the acc. \$i\overline{u}-dic-em\$, E. judge, is for *\$i\overline{u}s-dex\$, one who declares the law. L. auris, the ear (whence E. aural) is for *auzis < *ausis (cf. Goth. auso, the ear), and there was probably an older form *aus, cognate with Gk. o\overline{v}s, the ear; hence L. aus-culto (whence E. auscultation) and au-dio (for *aus-dio), I hear, whence E. audible.

- 7. Final x stands for cs, gs, cts, as in lux (base luc-), rex (base reg-), nox (base noct-). So also the perfects rexi (=reg-si), luxi (=luc-si), nexi, nexui (=nec-si, nec-sui); &c.
- 8. Dy becomes y (i) in Iu-piter; cf. Gk. Zeús, Skt. Dyaus. Dw>b in bellum for duellum, so that E. bellicose and E. duel are closely allied. So also bis, twice, is for *dwis, allied to duo, two; so that binary, dozen, and twice are all allied words.

Tl > l, in *lātus*, borne, for *tlatus, from tollo.

Gn > n; as in nosco, for O. Lat. gno-sco, allied to A.S.

cnáw-an, to know; hence noble, ignorant, and knowledge, are from the same root.

9. A medial mute (especially g) is often lost before m or l; and the preceding vowel is usually lengthened.

Thus exāmen, whence E. examine, is for *exagmen; cf. agmen; from ago. Again, contāminare, whence E. contaminate, is for *contagminare, from tag, base of tango, I touch. But the i remains short in sti-lus, sti-mulus, whence E. style, stimulate, from \sqrt{stig} , to prick, as in E. in-stig-ate, stig-ma, from L. instigo and Gk. $\sigma\tau\iota\gamma\mu\dot{\eta}$ respectively. Assimilation has taken place in flamma (for *flag-ma), allied to L. flag-ro, I burn; so that flame is allied to flagrant.

**red-la, from *sedeo, I sit. L. uilla (E. villa) is for *uic-la, dimin. of uic-us, a village, whence was borrowed the A.S. wīc, E. wick, a town; see vol. i. § 398. The change of d to l is a curious feature, but undoubtedly occurs; as in L. lacrima, lacruma, O. Lat. dacruma, a tear, co-radicate with E. tear, s. So also L. lingua, tongue, is the same word as the A.S. tunge, and E. tongue; and sol-ium, a seat, throne, is for *sod-ium, allied to sedeo, I sit.

Pn>mn; as in som-nus, sleep, for *sop-nus; cf. L. sop-or. Tsn>nn. Thus L. penna (E. pen), O. Lat. pesna, is for *pet-sna, a wing, co-radicate with Skt. pat-ra, a feather, and E. feather.

Tn, dn, are liable to become nd, by metathesis. Thus L. fundus (for *fud-nus), whence E. fund, foundation, is allied to Gk. $\pi\nu\theta$ - $\mu\dot{\eta}\nu$ (for * $\phi\nu\theta$ - $\mu\dot{\eta}\nu$), and A. S. botm, E. bottom. L. pando, whence E. expand, is for *pat-no, I lay open, from pat-eo, I lie open, whence E. patent.

11. Rs>rr; ls>ll. L. uerres, a boar; cf. Skt. vrsha, a bull. Torreo, whence E. torrid, for *tors-eo, allied to E. thirs-t. Porrum, a leek, for *prsum, with vocalic r; cf. Gk. πρασον (for *prson), a leek. L. coll-um, neck, whence E. collar, for *cols-um, cognate with A. S. heals, neck, Icel. hals, whence E. hawse-hole, a sea-term.

- 12. Loss of a consonant takes place in difficult combinations.
- (a) 'Where a semi-vowel is followed by two mutes, or by a mute and a spirant, the second letter of the combination is dropped.' (King and Cookson, p. 217.)

Exx.: mulsi (for *mulg-si) from mulgeo, I milk; cf. E. emulsion. Ul-tus (for *ulc-tus), from ulc-iscor. Ar-si (for *ard-si), from ardeo, I burn; cf. E. arson. Spar-si (for *sparg-si), from spargo; cf. E. sparse. Quin-tus (for *quinc-tus), fifth; from quinque, five. For-tis, brave, whence E. fortitude, for O. Lat. forc-tis.

Similarly, we have tos-tus (for *tors-tus), pp. of torr-eo (for *tors-eo); hence toast and torrid are allied to thirst. Posco is for *porc-sco, where porc- is the weak grade corresponding to \sqrt{prek} in prec-or; and pos-tu-lo (whence E. postulate), is from an unused pp. *pos-tus, like us-tu-lo from us-tus. Cf. G. forsch-en, to enquire, which is related to frag-en, to ask, much as poscere is to precari.

Scā-la, a ladder, whence E. scale, escalade, is for *scand-sla, from scand-o, I climb, whence E. scan, a-scend, de-scend.

So also nts, nds > ns; rts, rds > rs; lts > ls; as in the nominatives amans (for amants), frons (foliage); ars, concors; puls.

13. Sometimes one of two similar (unaccented) syllables is lost, just as when the Low Lat. idolatria (whence E. idolatry) was put for idololatria, from Gk. είδωλο-λατρεία, service of idols. Exx.: E. calamitous, from L. calamitosus, for *calamitat-osus. E. nurse, O. F. norice, from Lat. acc. nutricem, for *nutritricem; cf. E. nutritive. E. debilitate, from L. debilitare, for *debilitat-are. E. hereditary, from L. hæredita-rius for *hæreditat-arius. We may also observe the loss of a light unaccented syllable in ætas, æternus, for ævitas, æviternus; momentum, fomentum, for movimentum, fovimentum; and the like. Hence E. moment is allied to move, and foment is from L. fouere, to warm.

- § 200. Formation of past participles. Owing to the large number of E. words formed from the bases of the past participles of L. verbs, it is necessary to observe the mode of formation of such past participles, and the forms of the present tenses with which they are connected. The verbs are often presented in grammars in a confused way, but a well-arranged list will be found in Postgate's New Latin Primer. The primitive verbs mostly belong to the third conjugation. The perfect tense is formed from the base in six different ways, as follows.
- (1) By adding $-u\bar{\imath}$ ($-v\bar{\imath}$) preceded by a long vowel; as $\check{a}m-\bar{a}re$, perf. $\check{a}m-\bar{a}u\bar{\imath}$. (The suffix is $-\bar{a}ui$ in the first conjugation; $-\bar{e}ui$ (sometimes) in the second, as del- $\bar{e}re$, perf. del- $\bar{e}ui$; $-\bar{\imath}ui$ in the fourth conjugation, and sometimes in the third.)
- (2) By adding -ui; as mon-ēre, perf. mon-ui. (This is in the second conjugation, and in some verbs of the other conjugations.)
- (3) By adding $-s\bar{\imath}$; as carp-ĕre, to pluck, perf. carp-si. -xi is written for -c-si, -g-si; as reg-ĕre, perf. rexi; and the base often suffers changes of consonants and vowels, as may be seen from examples. (This is in the second and third conjugations, and sometimes in the fourth.)
- (4) By reduplication; that is, by prefixing the first consonant of the base preceded by a short vowel; as căd-ĕre, to fall, perf. cë-căd-i. (So in certain verbs of the second and third conjugations; and in dă-re, to give, and stā-re, to stand, of the first.)
- (5) By lengthening the vowel of the base; as sĕd-ēre, to sit, perf. sēd-i. (So in some verbs of the second and third conjugations; in iŭuāre (iuvare), to help, lauāre, to wash, of the first; and in uenīre, to come, of the fourth.)
- (6) By no change, except adding the $-\bar{\imath}$ of the perfect; as $b\bar{\imath}b-\bar{e}re$, to drink, perf. $b\bar{\imath}b-\bar{\imath}$. (In a few verbs of the second and third conjugations.)

The past participles of Latin verbs are determined by the supine stem. The accusative supine in -um is commonly taken as the 'principal part'; whence we at once know the corresponding ablative supine in -u and the perfect (or past) participle in -us, as well as the completed tenses of the passive voice, and the future participle in -urus. Thus, if the acc. supine is amatum, the abl. supine will be amatu, the pp. amatus, and the fut. part. amaturus.

The supine is formed from the base of the verb in the four ways following.

- (a) By adding -tum, preceded by a long vowel; as ăm-āre, sup. ām-ātum. (Thus are formed supines of all verbs which form their perfect by -ui (-vi) preceded by a long vowel; see class (1) above.)
- (b) By adding -itum; as $m o n \bar{e} r e$, sup. m o n itum. (Thus are formed the supines of nearly all verbs that form the perfect in -i u; see class (2) above.)
- (c) By adding -tum; as carp-ĕre, sup. carp-tum. b and g become p and c before t; as scrīb-ĕre, sup. scrip-tum; rĕg-ĕre, sup. rēc-tum; and the base often suffers other changes. (In the third conjugation, and in some verbs of the second and fourth.)
- (d) By adding -sum. The base always suffers some change in this formation; as sparg-ĕre, to scatter, sup. sparsum, with loss of g. (So in some verbs of the second and third conjugations, and in sent-īre, to feel, sup. sen-sum). Most of the verbs with this form of the supine have a base ending in d or t.

The chief alterations due to the combinations of consonants in the perfect tenses of set (3) may be thus expressed:—q(u)s, cs, cts, gs, hs, u-s¹, all become x; ngs > nx; ts > s (mitto, $m\bar{\imath}$ -si); ds > ss or s; bs > ps (but cf. iub-eo, iussi); ms > mps (but prem-o, pres-si); rgs > rs (cf.

¹ That is, uiu-o gives uixi; so also fluxi, struxi, from flu-o, stru-o.

mulg-eo, mul-si, torqu-eo, torsi). For the forms of the supines and past participles, cf. § 199 (3), p. 280.

- § 201. In some verbs the present tense has some peculiar features, and fails to exhibit, immediately, the form of the base.
- 2. Again, the verbs $p\bar{a}$ -sco, $n\bar{o}$ -sco, $sc\bar{c}$ -sco, $cr\bar{c}$ -sco, $su\bar{c}$ -sco, exhibit the inceptive suffix -sco, which is no part of the base; and their perfects are $p\bar{a}$ -ui, $n\bar{o}$ -ui, $sc\bar{c}$ -ui, $cr\bar{c}$ -ui, $su\bar{c}$ -ui. The pp. of pasco is, however, pas-tus; but the rest have a regular formation, giving $n\bar{o}$ -tus, $sc\bar{c}$ -tus, $cr\bar{c}$ -tus, $su\bar{c}$ -tus. E. derivatives of these are pasture, notion, plebi-scite, con-crete, de-suetude. So also di-sco (for *di-dc-sco), which forms its perfect, by reduplication, as di-dic-i (above).
- 3. In the case of the verbs comburo, gero, uro, which have the past participles combus-tus, ges-tus, us-tus, we see that r stands for z, from an older s; and that they represent *combuso, *geso, *uso. Cf. E. combustion, gesture. So likewise the pp. tostus (for *tors-tus) shows that torr-eo is for *tors-eo; cf. § 199 (6, 11).
- 4. Some verbs have the suffix -no in the present tense; as cer-no, sper-no, ster-no, contem-no, $l\bar{\imath}$ -no, $s\bar{\imath}$ -no (perf. $cr\bar{e}$ -ui, $spr\bar{e}$ -ui, $str\bar{a}$ -ui, contemp-si, $l\bar{e}$ -ui, $s\bar{\imath}$ -ui), in all of which the perfect tense shews a stronger form. To these add $p\bar{o}$ -no, which is a derivative of sino, as shown by the pp. po-situs, as compared with situs.

We also find the suffix -lo (for -no?) after l, in tol-lo (perf. te-tŭl-i), pel-lo (perf. pe-pŭl-i), percel-lo (perf. per-cŭl-i). Cf. uel-lo, perf. uel-li and uul-si.

- 5. Another present-suffix is -to, as in flec-to, nec-to, pec-to, plec-to (perf. flexi, nexi and nexui, pexi, plexi and plexui, pp. flexus, nexus, pexus, plexus); cf. E. flexure, annex.
- 6. But the most curious case is that where we find an infixed n, i.e. a n immediately preceding the last letter of the root. This n appears in the present-stem, but not in the perfect or the pp. There is a similar phenomenon in Sanskrit, in verbs of the seventh conjugation. Thus from the Skt. root chhid, to cut—with the 2nd preterite (reduplicated) chi-chhed-a, 3rd preterite a-chhid-am, and pp. chhin-na (for *chhid-na)—is formed the present tense chhi-na-d-mi, where the -na- is infixed before the final d of the root. This root agrees with the Lat. \sqrt{skid} , and gives the present tense sci-n-do, I cut, perf. scid-i, pp. scis-sus (for *scid-tus). The corresponding Gk. verb is $\sigma \chi i \zeta \omega$ (for $\sigma \chi i \delta - \gamma \omega$), whence the sb. σχίσ-μα, E. schism; cf. also re-scind, ab-scis-sa, from the Latin 1. So also with find-o (base fid), perf. fid-i, pp. fis-sus (for *fid-tus); frango (base frag), perf. freg-i, pp. frac-tus (for *frag-tus); pango (base pag), perf. peg-i, pp. pac-tus (for *pag-tus); tango (base tag), perf. te-tig-i, pp. tac-tus (for *tag-tus); pungo (base pug), perf. pu-pug-1, but the pp. is punc-tus; linquo (base liq), perf. līqui, pp. lic-tus (as in the derivative re-lictus); fundo (base fud), perf. fūd-i, pp. fū-sus (for *fud-sus); tundo (base tud), perf. te-tud-i, but the pp. is tun-sus, though the compound contundo has contusus. English has derivatives from all of these; as, for example, fissure, fraction, compact, contact, puncture, relict, fuse, contusion.

The verb iungo, I join, whence (through the French) our verb to join, has the perf. iunxi and sup. iunctum; whence E. juncture. Nevertheless, the true base is iug, which appears in E. con-jug-ate, and in L. iug-um, yoke, cognate with A. S. geoc, E. yoke, as well as with Skt. yuj, to join, and Gk. &vy-óv, a yoke, whence E. syzygy, the equivalent of conjunction.

¹ Scissors is mis-spelt to conform it to Lat. sciss·um; but it was formerly cisoures, and is a derivative from L. cædere, to cut.

The verb rumpo exhibits a similar case of infixed m; the perfect is $r\bar{u}p$ -i, and the pp. rup-tus, whence E. rupture, and (through the French) route, rout, routine, and even rut, a wheel-track.

- 7. Some primitive verbs of the third conjugation, and some 'denominative' verbs exhibit the suffix -io in the present tense; as cap-io, seru-io; see § 203 below.
- § 202. Secondary Verbs. With regard to verbs of the first, second, and fourth conjugations, we find amongst them a few original verbs, especially such as form the perfect tense in -ŭi or -si; but a large number of them are derivative or secondary. These derivative verbs are of five kinds (Postgate, New Latin Primer).
- (a) Denominative; that is, formed from substantives or adjectives; as don-o, I give, from don-um, a gift; con-fæder-o, I unite by a league, from fæder-, base of fædus, a treaty; ex-alt-o, I lift up on high, from alt-us, high. Hence E. donation, confederate, exalt. All others are from verbal roots, as follows.
- (b) Desiderative; these express a desire for an action, and are of the fourth conjugation. They are formed by adding -ŭrio to the base of the past participle of the primitive verb; as ēs-ŭrio, I wish to eat, I am hungry, from ēs-us, pp. of ĕd-ere, to eat.
- (c) Intensive; which intensify in some way the meaning of the primitive verb. These are of the 1st conjugation, and are formed directly from the pp. base; as iact-o, I toss, from iact-us, pp. of iac-io, I throw. Hence F. jet-er, to throw, and E. jet, a fountain.
- (d) Frequentative; expressing the frequent repetition of the action of the primitive verb. These are of the first conjugation, and are formed from the present, or less often from the pp. base, by adding -ito (or -ito, if the primitive verb is of the fourth conjugation); as ag-ito, I keep on moving a thing about, from ag-o, I drive; script-ito, I write

often, from script-us, pp. of scrib-o, I write; dorm-īto, I nod sleepily, from dorm-īre, to sleep.

There is not much difference between the modes of formation or the meanings of Intensive and Frequentative verbs.

We should be careful to divide words aright. Thus E. ag-itate is from L. ag-ito, above; but E. precipit-ate is a denominative verb, from pracipit-, base of praceps, headlong.

- (e) Inceptive; both of verbal and denominative origin. They are of the third conjugation; and those of verbal origin are formed from the present base of verbs, with the inflexion -āsco, -ēsco, -isco, -āsco, according as the original verb is of the first, second, third, or fourth conjugation. Those of denominative origin are formed with the suffix -ēsco, rarely -āsco. Such verbs commonly have no perfect or supine, but some of them borrow these from their primitive verbs. We have in English acquiesce, from L. ac-qui-ē-sco, allied to quies, rest, whence E. quiet; and effervesce, from L. ef-feru-ē-sco, a derivative of feruē-re, to boil, glow. But we chiefly use our derivatives of such verbs adjectivally, as: concupiscent, convalescent, efflorescent, evanescent, incandescent, liquescent, nigrescent, quiescent, recrudescent. Cf. also pasco, &c., in § 201 (2).
- § 203. All verbs of the first, second, and fourth conjugations belong to what has been called the 'yod-class,' because they form the present by adding yod, i. e. y, before the final -o. See King and Cookson, Sounds, &c., p. 454: Thus—

am-o is for *amā-yo; like Gk. τιμά-ω for τιμā-yω.
mone-o is for *monē-yo; like φιλέ-ω for φιλε-yω.
audi-o is for *audī-yo; like κονίω for κονῖ-yω.
So also verbs in -uo, of the third conjugation; thus—
statu-o is for *statu-yo; like μεθύ-ω for μεθυ-yω.

Here also belong some primitive verbs of the third conjugation, such as cap-io, cup-io, fug-io.

Several such verbs are denominatives, and are formed from various stems, viz.—

- (a) from stems in -o; as seru-io, I serve, from seru-o-, stem of seruus, a slave.
- (b) from stems in -a; as pun-io, I punish, from pæn-a-, stem of pæna, punishment.
- (c) from stems in -i; as uest-io, I clothe, from uest-i-, stem of uestis, clothing.
- (d) from stems in -u; as singult-io, I sob, from singult-u-, stem of singultus, a sobbing.
- (e) from consonantal stems; as *imped-io*, I hinder, from *ped-*, stem of *pēs*, foot.
- § 204. Aryan vowels. A Table, showing the equivalents of the Latin consonants in other languages, is given in vol. i, p. 125; and numerous examples of Latin forms in the same, pp. 107-124.

A Table, showing the equivalent values of the vowels in various Aryan languages is given in Brugmann, *Grundriss*, i. § 28; and is here repeated, with the addition of the A. S. vowels, and a slight alteration in the arrangement. The values within brackets are other less regular values, deduced from Brugmann's examples. Very noticeable is the poverty of the Skt. vowels, where a stands for a, e, and o.

TABLE OF REGULAR SUBSTITUTION OF VOWELS.

Aryan.	Skt.	Gk.	Lat.	Lith.	Slav.	O.Irish.	Goth.	A.S.
а ā	a ā	a = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = = =	a(i, u, e)	a ō	0	<u>a</u>	a	a, æ, ea
e ē i	a ā	$\begin{bmatrix} \bar{a} (\eta) \\ \epsilon \\ \eta \end{bmatrix}$	e (i) ē	e (a)	$\begin{bmatrix} a \\ e \\ \dot{e} \ (\bar{a}) \end{bmatrix}$	$e(i, a, u)$ \bar{i}	aí, i	e, i æ
ī	$i \ \bar{i} \ a, \bar{a}$	ι τ ο	$ \begin{array}{c} i, e \\ \bar{i} \\ o(u, \check{e}, \check{i}) \end{array} $	i Ī a	<i>i i o</i> (<i>e</i>)	$ \begin{array}{c c} i, e \\ \bar{i} \\ o(a, i, u) \end{array} $	i, aí ei a	i ī a, æ, ea
0 0 u ū	ā 11 11	ω υ υ	u (ĭ) ū	ů (u) u (o) ū	$a(y)$ $\ddot{u}(o)$ \bar{y}	$\bar{a}(u)$ u, o \bar{u}	ō 11, aú 11	ī, o
2	i	a	a	a	0	a	ā	æ, e

The semi-vowel y is represented by y in Skt., by the rough breathing (') and by ι in Gk., by consonantal ι (usually printed j) in Latin or by the vowel i, and by y (also printed j) or i in Gothic; A. S. has g, followed by e, and sounded as y.

The semi-vowel w is Skt. v; Gk. digamma or F (omitted in writing, because lost at an early period of the language) or else the smooth breathing ('); Lat. u (consonantal and vocalic); Goth. and A. S. w.

The Skt. dy is Gk. ζ , and Lat. i (consonantal).

§ 205. Aryan Diphthongs. In composition with the vowels a, e, o, the semi-vowels make up the diphthongs ay, aw, ey, ew, oy, ow. Brugmann describes the equivalents of these, but does not tabulate them. I therefore give his chief results, for convenience, in a tabular form.

Other diphthongs occur in which the first element is long, viz. $\bar{a}y$, $\bar{e}y$, &c.; but, as they are not common, I have left them out of the Table.

Aryan.	Skt.	Gk.	Lat.	Lith.	Slav.	O. Irish.	Goth.	A. S.
ay aw ey ew oy ow	ē ō ō ō ē	αι αυ ει ευ οι ου	$ae, \bar{\imath}$ au, \bar{u} $\bar{\imath}$ (ei) \bar{u} $oe, \bar{u}, \bar{\imath}$ \bar{u} , \bar{o}	ai, ë au ei, ë au ai, ë au	ě u i u č u	ae, ī au, ō ē, ia ō, ua oe, ī ō, ua	ái áu ei iu ái áu	ā ēa ī ēo ā ēa

TABLE OF REGULAR SUBSTITUTION OF DIPHTHONGS.

Some peculiarities of the Gothic spelling require notice. Thus Gothic has ei for the sound which Latin and A. S. denote by $\bar{\imath}$; so that the difference here is only graphic. Gothic has no \check{e} or \check{o} (only \bar{e} , \bar{o}), but denoted the sounds of \check{e} and \check{o} , or their Goth. equivalents, by $a\hat{\imath}$, $a\hat{\imath}$, which are quite distinct from the long diphthongs $\acute{a}i$, $\acute{a}u$ (Aryan ay, oy and

aw, ow); but the MSS use the same symbol for both, not marking the accents.

Note. Comparative philology does not regard the appearance of the word to the eye, but deals with the sounds represented, with due regard to the peculiar laws of each language. For example, the Gk. $\tau \epsilon \hat{\iota} \chi o s$, a wall, the Lat. fingere, and the E. dough, show marked apparent differences, but they can all be referred to the same root dheigh. Such a root would regularly take the form $\theta \epsilon \iota \chi$ in Greek, but this again, by Grassman's law (§ 192), becomes $\tau \epsilon \iota \chi$. In Latin, the Aryan dh is represented by f, and the root becomes f i g, with which we may compare the supine fictum, for *fig-tum; the n in fing-ere is 'infixed' (§ 201, 6). The E. dough, A.S. d a h, like G. Teig, is from a Germanic root deig, exactly answering to the primitive root dheigh, by Grimm's law. The variations are, in fact, the result of regular laws.

CHAPTER XIV.

THE ITALIAN ELEMENT.

- § 206. Words do not fly through the air, like birds, that soar up in one country and can drop down in another; on the contrary, there must always be some intelligible point of contact between the English language and any language which it has laid under contribution in order to enlarge its vocabulary. I have already shown (vol. i. p. 10), that the modern period of English, during which, owing chiefly to increased facilities of communication, we have borrowed many words from rather remote countries, began about 1500, so that we must not expect, as a rule, to find any Italian words in English before that date. Nevertheless, there are a few exceptions, which can easily be accounted for, and are of some interest.
- § 207. Italian words before 1500. There is one E. word, in use as early as 1200, and perhaps earlier, which can hardly be other than Italian; and the reason is not far to seek. This is the word pilgrim, which occurs in Layamon's Brut, 30730, 30744, with the spellings pilegrim and pelegrim. It can hardly be (as I used to think) of F. origin, as the g was early lost in that language, and we find the spelling pelerin even in the Chanson de Roland, 3687. It can only be explained as being from the Ital. pellegrino, formerly spelt pelegrino, which Florio explains as 'a wandrer, a pilgrim,' &c. Hence the form pelegrim in Layamon, with a confusion of

final m and n, as in E. venom. The method of contact is obvious; the E. pilgrim obtained the Ital. word by the actual process of going to Rome, and fetching it thence. This journey was quite a common thing with Englishmen, from the time of King Alfred to that of the Wife of Bath, and much later. It deserves to be added that the name of Rome has certainly largely influenced, if indeed it did not actually originate, the difficult verb to roam.

The only other Italian words, as far as I know at present, which were borrowed by us before 1500, were not borrowed directly, but through the medium of French; amongst these, I find alarm, with its variant alarum, brigand, ducat, florin, as well as some which are ultimately of Eastern origin, viz. diaper, fustian, orange, rebeck, and perhaps the difficult word carcase. Alarm and brigand are military terms, and it is remarkable that such terms were borrowed by French from Italian very freely at a later period, as noted at p. 188. Ducat, florin, diaper, fustian, orange, are terms of commerce, and we have to remember that the Venetian and Genoese fleets were active and efficient in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries, especially as regards Eastern trade.

I do not give here the etymologies of the words mentioned above, nor, in general, of others noticed in this chapter. They are duly given in my Dictionary. Some are, however, introduced below, and can be found by help of the Index.

§ 208. Italian words of the modern period. In the sixteenth century, Italian words began to find their way into English rather freely. This was because we came into contact with Italian literature; and, somewhat later, with Italian music and painting. I have somewhere seen it stated that such contact began with Chaucer, who was acquainted with the writings of Dante and Boccaccio. This is one of those sayings that have the air of learning, but are, in reality, the wild guesses of such as are unaccustomed to deal with

facts. It is true that we might have expected, a priori, that Chaucer would have introduced Italian words into his poems; but investigation shows that he did not do so. He speaks, indeed, of florins (Pard. Tale, C. 770), but the word was in common use, being the name of a coin coined in England by Edward III in 1337, to imitate the florin of Florence, which was much esteemed. He also has the word fustian, but it was the name of an article of commerce 1. The only Italian word which he seems to have borrowed from literature is ducat, which he introduces with a hint of its origin:—

As fyn as ducat in Venyse.

Hous of Fame, 1348.

After Chaucer's death, the temporary contact with Italian literature was broken; Lydgate translated Boccaccio's Falls of Princes from a French translation only. It was renewed by Sir Thomas Wiat and the Earl of Surrey, as explained in Morley's First Sketch of English Literature. Wiat was the elder man, and was the real introducer of the sonnet into our literature. 'His sonnets, accurate in their structure, are chiefly translated from Petrarch; many of his epigrams are borrowed from the Strambotti (fantastic conceits) of Serafino d'Aquila, a Neapolitan poet, who died in 1500.' He also introduced the terza rima², not imitated from Dante, but from Luigi Alamanni, a Florentine poet, born in 1495. To Surrey, on the other hand, belongs the credit of having introduced into English our blank verse, the idea of which

¹ My Dictionary also gives *velvet* as being French from Italian, but it is merely French. I think the second v in *velvet* arose from a mistaken reading; in the A. F. *veluet* (= *velu-et*), the u was originally a vowel. The M. E. spellings *velwet*, *veluet*, also occur.

² The sole earlier example in English of the *terza rima* occurs in a poem attributed by me to Chaucer in 1888, of which another MS. copy was printed by Dr. Furnivall in 1889, having an additional stanza and Chaucer's name at the end. See my edition of the *Minor Poems*, p. 213.

he took from the versi sciolti (untied or free verses) used in an Italian translation of the second and fourth books of the Aeneid of Vergil, the same two books as were chosen by Surrey for his own experiment. Blank verse was afterwards used by Sackville and Norton in their tragedy of Gorboduc, and soon became established as the most fitting medium for the dialogue of the drama. The poems of Wiat, Surrey, and others were published in 'Tottel's Miscellany' in 1557. Sackville's Induction, printed in 1563, bears strong traces of the influence of Dante. In 1566 was represented George Gascoigne's prose play entitled The Supposes, a translation of Ariosto's earliest comedy, entitled I Suppositi (The Substitutes); and we have it on the authority of Ariosto himself that he followed plays by Terence and Plautus. In 1568, the tragedy of Tancred and Gismund, founded on Boccaccio's well known novel (Decamerone, Fourth Day, Novel 1), was presented before queen Elizabeth; and it was not long before Italian novels became so diligently read that they became the chief source to which our dramatists resorted for their plots. Two of the plays of Shakespeare are due to Boccaccio's Decamerone; viz. Cymbeline, and All's Well that Ends Well, taken, respectively, from the Ninth Novels of the Second and of the Third Day.

It is needless to trace further the enormous influence exercised upon English literature by that of Italy. It may suffice to mention some of the plays in which the scene is laid in Italy, excluding those (of which the number is not small) which are founded on the older Roman history. We have, for example, Shakespeare's Two Gentlemen of Verona, Merchant of Venice, and Othello, Moor of Venice. The scene of The Taming of the Shrew is laid at Padua; that of Much

¹ Nicholas Grimald, of Christ's College, Cambridge, is worthy of special mention, as the author of a poem in blank verse, called *The Death of Zoroas*, which appeared in Tottell's *Miscellany* (ed. Arber, p. 120). It is now said to be only a translation.

Ado about Nothing, at Messina; and that of Romeo and Juliet, at Verona and Mantua. The Tempest refers to Milan and Naples. Massinger has given us The Duke of Milan, The Great Duke of Florence, and A Very Woman, or the Prince of Tarent. The scene of his Bashful Lover is laid at Mantua; that of his Guardian, at Naples; and that of his Maid of Honour, in Sicily. Ben Jonson's Volpone supposes us to be in Venice; and his The Case is Altered, in Milan. The plots of many of Beaumont and Fletcher's plays are laid in Spain; but Philaster refers to Messina; The Chances, to Bologna; A Wife for a Month, and The Double Marriage, to Naples; Women Pleased, and The Fair Maid of the Inn, to Florence; The Captain, to Venice; The Woman-hater, to Milan: and The Nice Valour, to Genoa. We may also notice Marston's two plays of Antonio (Venice); Ford's Lady's Trial (Genoa); Shirley's Traitor (Florence); Webster's Duchess of Malfi and his Devil's Law-case (Naples) and Vittoria Corombona (Rome). The title of Otway's most famous play is Venice Preserved.

§ 209. A knowledge of the Italian tongue was very much promoted by the fashion which grew up, in the latter half of the sixteenth century especially, of travelling in Italy itself; against which Roger Ascham, in his Scholemaster, so strongly protested as being a source of great evil. 'I am affraide,' he says, 'that ouer many of our trauelers into Italie, do not exchewe the way to Circes Court' (ed. Arber, p. 77); and he tells us his opinion, in strong language, as to the character of 'an Englishman Italianated.' He tells us, too, that 'ten Morte Arthurs do not the tenth part so much harme, as one of these bookes, made in Italie, and translated in England.' Yet even he commends queen Elizabeth (p. 67) for her 'perfit readines in Latin, Italian, French, and Spanish,' The familiarity with Italian displayed by Wiat and Surrey was the result of travel, as Puttenham, in his Arte of English Poesie, lib. i. cap. 31, is careful to notice. 'In the latter end of the

same kings [Henry the Eighth's] raigne sprong up a new company of courtly makers [i.e. poets], of whom Sir Thomas Wyat th' elder and Henry Earle of Surrey were the two chieftaines, who having travailed into Italie, and there tasted the sweete and stately measures and stile of the Italian Poesie, as nouices new crept out of the schooles of Dante, Ariosto, and Petrarch, they greatly pollished our rude and homely maner of vulgar Poesie from that it had bene before, and for that cause may justly be sayd the first reformers of our English meetre and stile.' To pass on to much a later time, we find John Howell, in his Instructions for Forreine Travell (1642), advising his English readers to 'hasten to Toscany. to Siena, where the prime Italian dialect is spoken, and not stirre thence till he be master of the Language in some measure'; and he calls Italy 'the Nurse of Policy, Learning, Musique, Architecture, and Limning, with other perfections;' (sect. viii). Three or four years previously, John Milton had journeyed through France to Italy and back, and he has left us obvious proofs of his proficiency in Italian. Amongst other proofs of the interest which our poets took in this new study, we may notice Spenser's translation of The Visions of Petrarch, and the obvious influence of Ariosto upon the Faerie Queene. We have complete translations of some great works in Sir John Harington's translation of the Orlando Furioso (1591); Fairfax's translation of Tasso's Gerusalemme Liberata (1600); and Sir Richard Fanshawe's translation of Guarini's Il Pastor Fido (1647). The influence of Italian literature continued supreme during the latter half of the sixteenth century and nearly till the close of the seventeenth, when the supremacy of French as a favourite source for augmenting our language was re-established by Dryden. I believe it will be found that Italian words borrowed later than 1700 refer chiefly to music and the fine arts. For further remarks on this subject, see Trench's English Past and Present, Lect. III., where he mentions

several Italian words used by Spenser, Milton, and Jeremy Taylor, but now obsolete.

It is, further, of much importance to remark that the influence of Italian reached France before it reached England, and was very powerful there during the reign of Francis I (1515-1547). Hence it is that rather more than half of the Italian words in English have come to us through the medium of French. This is a new point, which the usual books, I believe, neglect. See § 220.

§ 210. One curious point about Italian is its stability of form. Owing, no doubt, to its close resemblance to Latin, and the existence of literary Latin side by side with it as a fixed model for imitation, its forms have varied but slightly since the time of Dante. Hence a modern Italian dictionary is, in general, a sufficient guide to the spellings, and I have usually found it sufficient to use a small handbook, viz. that by Meadows. But in many cases I have derived great assistance from the Dictionary by John Florio, entitled A Worlde of Wordes (1598), and a later edition of the same by Torriano (1688). There are several editions, and they vary considerably; that of 1598 is the first.

As to the composition of Italian, we may accept the statement made by Diez, that quite nine-tenths of it is of Latin origin; but it must be remembered that Latin must here be taken to include a considerable number of words known to the vulgar tongue only, which either never found their way into any known literary composition, or have only been preserved by a casual mention of them, or by their occurrence in some old glossary. At the beginning of his Grammatik der Romanischen Sprachen, Diez gives a large number of Latin words, all of which are represented by some

Forth rush the *Levant* and the *Ponent* winds...

Sirocco and *Libecchio*.—Par. Lost, x. 704.

Here *Libecchio* is a less common spelling of *Libeccio*.

¹ As for example :-

derivative in one at least of the Romance languages, which have been preserved in a more or less casual manner. Amongst these, for example, he notes the Lat. campsare, to turn around a place, to sail by or double (a cape), used by Ennius, and preserved also in a gloss by Isidore, viz. 'campsat, flectit'; and obviously related to Gk. κάμπτειν, to bend. Hence the Ital. cansare, to evade; with a derivative scansare (Lat. ex-campsare), to shun, to remove, displace. I mention this because there is a possibility that it may explain our difficult word askance, first used by Sir Thomas Wiat (Sat. i. 52), who, as we have seen, was the very man most likely to introduce an Italian word. It seems to answer to a phrase a scanso, which is recorded in the phrase a scanso di; unless, indeed, the a is the E. prefix seen in a-side, a-slope, i.e. a degraded form of the prep. on. I quote Florio's articles in full, as they strongly favour this hypothesis.

- 'Cansare, to divide, to sever, to part, to go out of sight, to overthrow, to go aslope, to give place, to cleave asunder.' [Evidently ill arranged; the senses 'to go aslope, to give place,' should come first.]
- 'Canso, deuided [sic], seuered, parted, gone out of sight, ouerthrowne, gone aslope, given place.'
- 'Scansare, to cancell, to blur, or blot foorth, to go a slope or a sconce or a skew, to go sidelin, to stagger or go reeling, to ward, to auoid or shun a blow. Also to overthrow, to ouerturne, to subuert or remooue any thing away, to balke by.'
- 'Scansatura, an ouerthrowe, or ouerturning of any thing, a staggering or reeling: also a blot, a blur or cancelling, a fall asconce or a-skewe, a balking by.'
 - 'Scanso, a blurre, a blot, a cancelling; as Scansatura.'
- 'In Greek words,' says Diez (as translated by Cayley, p. 74), 'the [Italian] language is the next most abundant to the Wallachian, and in German words to the French. The Arabic words it has appropriated have been mostly imported

from the Spanish; a few are originally Italian. From the Slavonic it has borrowed fewer words than might have been expected from the vicinity of the two languages... There remains...a small residuum of foreign and enigmatical elements.' Some, it may be remarked, are of Eastern origin (Persian, Semitic, &c.), and due to Eastern commerce. Thus fustian, O. F. fustaine, Ital. fustagno, is from the Arab. Fustat, a name for Cairo, in Egypt; whence the stuff was introduced through Genoese commerce.

For a fuller account of Italian, and a book-list of works relating to it, see Gröber, *Grundriss der romanischen Philologie*, i. 488; and Körting, *Romanische Philologie*, iii. 599.

§ 211. Pronunciation; Vowels. The pronunciation of Italian offers but few difficulties. Nevertheless, I must remind the student that I only give the sounds approximately, for etymological purposes. The true pronunciation, accent, and intonation can only be learnt by hearing the language spoken. The pronunciation of the vowels is true and distinct, and may well be taken as the basis of any reformed system of spelling. It is, in fact, employed to some extent in the 'romic' system and in the 'palæotype' of Mr. Ellis.

Literary Italian is, nevertheless, rather a written or conventional than a spoken language. In actual speech, there are various dialects, which have been grouped together as belonging to lower or Southern Italy, Central Italy, and upper or Northern Italy. The Tuscan and Roman dialects belong to Central Italy, and have the most authority. The literary monuments go back to the thirteenth century.

The vowels are a, e, i, o, u. Of these, a is both long and short (aa and a); the former has the full sound of E. a in father (faadhə), and the latter is the same shortened, being common in unstressed syllables, and before a double consonant. Exx. amata (amaa ta), gamba (gam ba).

E has two values, distinguished as open and close, and sometimes as \grave{e} and \acute{e} , or as \acute{e} and \acute{e} . In the former case the

mouth is wider open, which I take to mean that the jaws are farther apart. The open e answers, usually, to Lat. \check{e} , \mathscr{E} , free or enclosed; and it may perhaps be best understood by remembering that the E. so-called short e, as in bed, met, tell is an open e. When not accented, e is always close.

Denoting the accent by (·), the open e and o by \hat{e} , \hat{o} , and the close e and o by \hat{e} , \hat{o} , the following are examples. *Medico* (mèd'ikó); *preda* (prè'da); *cento* (chèn'tó). Cf. Lat. *medicum*, acc.; *prædam*, *cĕntum*. I do not give exceptions.

The close e answers to Lat. \check{i} , \check{e} , free or enclosed, and is sounded like E. e in vein (vein), but without any after-sound of i. Exx. neve (né·vé); arena (aré·na); secco (sék·kó). Cf. Lat. $n\check{v}vem$, $ar\check{e}na$, siccum. There are, however, various exceptions; and, in fact, the chief difficulty in pronouncing Italian is to know when e and o are 'open,' and when 'close.' Rules will not always help us in this matter.

I, answering (usually) to Lat. i, is both short and long. The long sound is that of E. i in machine, or ee in keen; the short sound is the same shortened. We may denote them by (ii) and (i). Exx. fine (fiiné); ordine (órdiné). Cf. Lat. finem, ordinem. Double final i is written j or i, as in tempj or tempi (tém:pii), put for tempii, pl. of tempio, a temple. Note here the characteristic Italian habit of changing l into i in such combinations as bl, fl, pl, cl, gl; so that L. templum becomes Ital. tempio.

O, like e, has two values, open and close; which may be distinguished as \tilde{o} and \tilde{o} , or as ϱ and ϱ . The open o answers, usually, to Lat. \tilde{o} , au, free or enclosed; and it may be compared with the E. so-called short o in not, cod, doll. Exx. bove (bòve); toro (tòro); donna (dònra). Cf. Lat. bövem, taurum, dom'nam, short for döminam.

The close o answers, usually, to Lat. \tilde{u} , \tilde{o} , free or enclosed,

¹ I admit that I use (i) with two values, but there need be no confusion. In English, it means the i in pity, finny; in foreign languages it means the true short i, as in F. fini.

and to y; and is sounded as E. 'long o' in no (nou), but without any after-sound of u, i.e. as G. o in so, or F. eau. Exx. croce (cró·ché); ragione (rajó·né); onda (ón·da); torso (tór·só), whence E. torso. Cf. Lat. crūcem, ratiōnem, ŭndam, thyrsum (Gk. θύρσον). Note that the Lat. -ŭm invariably becomes Ital. o. Exx. regno, a kingdom, from L. regnum; orto, a garden, from Lat. acc. hortum. The unaccented o is close.

U, answering (usually) to Lat. \bar{u} , is both long and short. The long sound is like E. in *rule*, the short sound like u in *full*. Exx. *duro* (duu ró); *rustico* (rus tikó). Cf. Lat. $d\bar{u}rum$, $r\bar{u}sticum$.

We may tabulate the usual correspondences of Latin and Italian vowels thus; of course there are some exceptions.

LATIN. ă, ā; ĕ, æ; ĭ, ē, œ; ĭ, ī; ŏ, au; ō, ŭ; \bar{u} . ITALIAN. ă, ā; è; é; ĭ, $\bar{\imath}$; ò; ó; \bar{u} .

The Lat. i only remains as i when unaccented.

The Italian vowels, as here given, precisely agree with the vowels in Folk-Latin; see § 145, p. 198 above.

To pronounce diphthongs, sound the vowels of which they are composed in rapid succession, and accent the *former* of the vowels, unless it is an i or u. Exx. *léi*, fiéro (both with open e), fuóco (in which the former o is open).

§ 212. Consonants. The pronunciation of the consonants is easy. B, d, f, l, m, n, p, qu, t, v, are like English.

C is k before a, o, u; E. ch before e and i. The sound of k before e and i is written ch.

Cc before e and i is pronounced as E. ch in church, but the sound is double; otherwise as kk. Cch, as kk.

G is hard, as in E. game, go, gum, before a, o, u; but is sounded as E. j before e and i, as in E. gem, gim. The sound of hard g before e and i is written gh. According to this system, the E. get, gig, would be spelt ghet, ghig. Gg before e and i is E. jj; otherwise, E. gg. Gli, when forming a part

of a word, is pronounced like E. ly (with consonantal y); i.e. like l followed by the y in you; or the li in familiarise. Standing alone, gli is pronounced (lyi). Gn(ny) is like E. ni in minion, or the gn in mignonette.

I (consonant) is the E. y; as in justo (yus-to). an unco R is very strongly trilled, especially when doubled; never ' untrilled, as in English. Lunt

S is commonly voiceless, as in E. sit; it is only voiced (as E. z in zone, s in rose) between two vowels, or before a liquid or a voiced consonant, such as d, g, b, v.

Sc before e and i, or sci before a, o, u, is sounded as E. sh. The sound (sk) before e and i is written sch.

Z is commonly sounded as E. ts, rarely as E. dz; zz is almost always ts, though there are a few exceptions.

K, w, x do not occur; h is very nearly lost, only appearing initially in ho, hai, ha, hanno, and finally in some interjections, as ah, deh, ohimè; and it is always mute.

Doubled letters, as mm, nn, &c. must be sounded really double, i. e. both at the end of one syllable and at the beginning of the next; thus donna is (donna) in Italian, but (donna) in English. We should be tempted to spell it donnna.

Exx. cera (ché·ra), wax; cielo (ché·lo, by the side of chié·lo), heaven; che (ké), that; chi (ki), who; cacciare (katchchaaré), to chase; ricco (rik·kó), rich, pl. ricchi (rik·ki); già (ja), already; giovane (jó vané), young; giudice (juu diché), judge; geloso (jélósó), jealous; giglio (jii·lyó), lily; lago (laa·gó), a lake, pl. laghi (laa-gi); pago (paa-gó), I pay, 2 pers. paghi (paa·gi), thou payest.

Figlio (fii'lyo), son; regno (ré'nyo), kingdom, with close e, exceptionally; justo (yus tó), just.

Tesoro (tézòró), treasure; sguardo (zgwardó), a look; scena (shèna), scene; scisma (shizma), schism; scherzo (skèrt·só), play, jest; schizzo (skit·tsó), sketch; zia (tsii·a),

1 And that not always; it is voiceless, e.g., in cosa (kò'sa), thing, riso (rii só), laughter, and in the suffix -oso (-ó só). x

aunt; senza (sént·sa), without; mezzo (mèd·dzó), middle; Lazzaro (lad·dzaró), Lazarus; Nazzareno (naddzarè·nó), Nazarene.

§ 213. The principal consonantal changes between the Latin and Italian forms may be briefly tabulated as below; remembering that the symbol > means 'becomes,' and the symbol < means 'is derived from.'

Folk-Latin. First of all, it should be noticed that, as in the case of French, Italian really arose from the spoken Latin or Folk-Latin rather than the literary language. This is why the list of Italian vowels at the end of § 211 agrees with the list of Folk-Latin vowels given in § 145.

Elision. Examples of *Elision* in the Folk-Latin are these: Ital. parete, wall, from F. L. par'ete, for L. parietem; venti, twenty, from F. L. venti, for L. uiginti.

Syncope. Examples of Syncope are these: Ital. occhio, from F. L. oclu, for L. oculum; Ital. vecchio, old, from F. L. veclu, for L. uetulum; Ital. donna, lady, from F. L. domna, for L. dominam; Ital. verde, green, from F. L. verde, for L. uiridem. Observe that Folk-Latin frequently suppressed a short vowel after an accented syllable in proparoxytonic words, as has been explained above.

Palatalisation. When e or i preceded another vowel and followed an accented syllable, it was constantly turned into y (consonant) in F. L.; and this y invariably combined with and affected the preceding consonant, producing some very remarkable results. Thus by > v, bb, bbi, ggi; cy > cci, zz; cty > zi, cci; dy > ggi, gg, zz; gy > ggi; ly > gli; my > mmi, mb; mmy > mi; ndy > nz; ny > gn, ng; py > cci; pty > cci, zi; que > ky > cci; sy > ci, gi, sci; sty > sci; ty > zi, zz, gi; vy > bbi, ggi.

These instances of palatalisation obviously require attention, as they constitute the main difficulty of Italian etymology. I therefore give examples of all the above changes. L. dubium, F. L. dubyu, It. dubbio; L. debeo, F. L. debyo, It. devo,

debbo, deggio. L. glaciem, F. L. glacya, It. ghiaccia; Low. L. *populaceum, F. L. popolacyu, It. popolaccio and popolazzo. L. lectionem, F. L. lectyone, It. lezione; L. tractus, pp., whence Low L. *tractiare, F. L. tractyare, It. tracciare. L. sedeo, F. L. sedyo, It. siedo, seggo, seggio; L. medium, F. L. medyo, It. mezzo. L. fageum, adj. (beechen), F. L. fagyo, It. faggio, sb. (beech). L. filium, F. L. filyo, It. figlio. L. vindemiam, F. L. vendemya, It. vendemmia; L. gremium, F. L. gremyo, It. grembo. commeatum, F. L. commyato, It. comiato. L. prandium, F. L. prandyo, It. pranzo. L. uineam, F. L. vinya, It. vigna; L. uenio, F. L. venyo, It. vengo. L. pipionem, F. L. pipyonem, It. piccione, L. captare, Low L. *captiare, F. L. captyare, It. cacciare; L. eruptionem, F. L. eruptyone, It. eruzione. laqueum, F. L. lakyo, It. laccio. L. camisiam, F. L. camisya, It. camicia; L. occasionem, F. L. occasyone, It. cagione (with loss of prefix); L. basium, F. L. basyo, It. bascio (obs.). L. ostium, F. L. ostyo, It. uscio. L. nationem, F. L. natyone, It. nazione; L. puteum, F. L. potyo, It. pozzo; L. palatium, F. L. palatyo, It. palazzo; L. rationem, F. L. ratyone (whence *radyone), It. ragione. L. caucam, F. L. cavya, It. gabbia; L. pluuiam, F. L. plovya, It. pioggia.

Palatalisation even occurs in words that have already suffered syncope, viz. from the palatalisation of a c, when it occurs as the final letter of a combination.

The formulæ are: dic>dc>ggi; nduc>nc>ngi; tic>tc>ggi. Exx. L. iudicare, F. L. judc(i)are, It. giuggiare. L. manducare, F. L. manc(i)are, It. mangiare. L. siluaticum, F. L. selvatc(i)o, It. selvaggio.

§ 214. Assimilation. Assimilation is a marked feature of Latin, which has, for example, accipere for ad-capere. It is carried still farther in Italian, which has ammirare for Lat. admirare; and the frequent occurrence of doubled letters in the examples just given must have been noticed. Other common examples are given by the formulæ: ct > tt; gd > dd; mn > nn; pt > tt; nl, rl > ll; lr, nr > rr. Exx. L.

dictum, It. ditto (obs.); whence E. ditto. L. frigidum, F. L. fregdo, It. freeddo. L. dominam, F. L. domna, It. donna; whence E. donna. L. aptitudinem, It. attitudine; whence F. and E. attitude. (Similarly, L. ipsum became F. L. epso, It. esso). Ll appears in Ital. colla, put for con la, and in costallo (obs.), put for costar lo. Rr appears in torre, for L. toll(e)re; and in porre, for L. pon(e)re.

§ 215. Other changes. When the changes noted in the preceding articles have been allowed for, the remaining changes will appear of a simpler character, and are mostly such as might be expected. The chief of them are given by the following formulæ.

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B > b, bb, f, v; bs > s. Bl > bi, bbi. C > c, g; ce > ge, ze; ci > zi. Ct > chi, cchi. D > d, r. F > f, b. Fl > fi. Gl > ghi, gghi. Hi, Hy > (j), gi, g(e). H disappears. I (consonant) > j, gi, z, and even ggi (medially). L > l, n, gti. Ll > gli. M > m, n. N > n, t. Ng > gn. Nn > gn. N > gn. P > f, b, f, v. Ph (Greek) > f. Pl > fi, pfi. Qu > qu, cqu, c. R > r, l, d. Rh > fr, r. S > s, z. Si > sci. Sce > ge. St > z. T > t, tt, d, dd. Th > t. V > v, b, g. X > s, sc. Ze > ge.
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Note. The changes bl > bi, cl > chi, gl < ghi, and pl > pi occur *initially*; in other positions, the resulting combinations are bbi, cchi, gghi, ppi respectively.

Examples of unchanged letters need not be given. Others are these.

L. fabrum, It. fabbro; L. tabanum, It. tafano; L. habere, It. avere. L. obscurum, It. oscuro. L. blasphemare; It. biasimare; L. neb(u)lam, It. nebbia.

L. alacrem, It. allegro, whence E. allegro; so also in E. doge, gabion, gambol, salmagundi. L. ducentum, It. dugento; Low L. dominicellum, It. donzello. L. cimbalum, for cym-

balum, It. dimin. zimbello. L. clarum, It. chiaro, as in chiaroscuro; L. oc(u)lum, It. occhio.

L. medullam, It. mirolla (obs., now midolla).

L. floccum, Ital. dimin. bioccolo. L. florem, It. flore, whence the dimin. floretto, a little flower, also a kind of silk tape, E. ferret. In the old word florin, the fl is preserved.

L. glaciem, It. ghiaccio; L. strigula, curry-comb, It. stregghia. L. hyacinthum, obs. It. jacinto, It. giacinto; L. hierarchiam (from Greek), obs. It. jerarchia, It. gerarchia. H is lost in It. ortolano, whence E. ortolan; from L. hortus.

L. adiutare, later aiutare, It. ajutare; L. iam, It. già; L. iuniperum, It. ginepro, zinepro; L. maiorem, It. maggiore.

L. philomelam, It. filomena; L. compilare, It. compigliare; L. tollere, It. togliere. L. mespilum, It. nespolo.

L. Bononia, It. Bologna. L. cingere, It. cignere (also cingere); L. grunnire, It. grugnire.

L. prunum, whence (indirectly, through the form prunea) It. fem. brugna, a plum; L. supplicem, It. soffice; L. ripam, It. riva. L. philosophiam, It. filosofia. L. planum, It. piano, whence E. piano, piano-forte. L. duplum, It. doppio. L. aqua, It. acqua; L. antiquum, It. antico.

L. cerebrum, It. celebro; L. rarum, It. rado; L. rhombum (from Gk. ρόμβος), It. frombo. L. rhythmum, It. ritimo, ritmo.

L. sulfur, sulphur, It. zolfo. L. simia, It. scimia. L. uascellum, It. vagello. L. instigare, It. inzigare.

L. totum, It. tutto. L. palatinum, It. paladino; whence F. paladin, E. paladin. L. satisfacere, It. soddisfare. L. theatrum, It. teatro.

L. neruum, It. nerbo; L. uomere, It. gomire. L. exemplum, It. esempio; L. exire, It. escire. L. zelosum, It. geloso.

§ 216. Inserted letters. Excrescent letters are sometimes found, such as b after m, and g, d, or v between two vowels to avoid an hiatus. Thus L. simulare, F. L. sem'lare, It. sembiare, sembrare; It. ragunare, to join, lit. re-unite, for

ra-unare, from ra-, prefix (L. re-ad) and unare, for unire; L. laicum, It. ladico; L. fluidum, It. fluvido. We even find letters prefixed to words; as b or g before r, as in L. ruscum, It. brusco, butcher's broom graspo, a grape-stalk, variant of raspo, a bunch of grapes; and n before a vowel, as in ninferno, hell. The most remarkable is the prefixed s. This letter is so common at the beginning of a word (where it can stand before every consonant except j and z), that it is often wrongly and needlessly prefixed; as in smania, variant of mania, fury, and in spiaggia, variant of piaggia, shore, from L. plaga. It. s- (as a real prefix) represents L. exand dis-. Thus scommunicare is 'to excommunicate'; scordare is 'to be dis-cordant.'

The insertion of *i* after *c* or *f* is not uncommon, and is to be accounted for in various ways, in different examples. Exx. L. coma, It. chioma; L. encaustum, It. inchiostro; L. refutare, It. rifiutare; O. H. G. scūm, foam, It. schiuma. M appears before b and p in strambo (L. strabum), Campidoglio, L. Capitolium, &c.; n before t, as in lontra, an otter (L. lutra); and r after t, as in inchiostro, ink, from L. encaustum, and in celestro, variant of celesto, celeste, celestial.

§ 217. The preceding rough and incomplete notes do not exhaust the list of the changes that distinguish Italian from Latin. Nevertheless, I believe I have mentioned all that are most material; and the student who already knows Latin may, by help of the above hints, soon come to understand the formation of hundreds of Italian words, and he will find that to understand this rightly is a powerful aid to the memory. In this way, enough of the language to enable one just to make out the sense of easy passages of Italian poetry may be picked up in a very short time; and any one who has a month's leisure is recommended to try the experiment. It should further be observed, that very many Italian

 $^{^{1}}$ In this case, the n represents the prep. $in\,;\,$ see Diez, $\textit{W\"{o}rterb}.\,$ s. v. $\textit{Abisso}.\,$

words (just as was the case in French) are formed from the literary, rather than from the popular Latin; and such words appear undisguised and with but very slight change. It is hardly possible to miss the sense of glorioso, inferno, immortali, aurea, corona, magnanimo, agitato, imperio, oriente, innumerabile, loco, all of which occur in the first six stanzas of Tasso's great poem; to which words of obvious meaning we may add several that, even if derived from popular Latin, suffered no change except at the end, viz. mano, favore. ardori, parte, vero, molli, versi, persuaso, vita, fortuna, penna, terra, anno, campo, arte, gente, &c. Much may be done by simply taking the accusative cases of Latin substantives and cutting off the final m; if a remains or e (in the third declension), let it alone; but if u remains, turn it into o. Thus L. uitam > It. vita; L. frontem > It. fronte; L. locum > It. loco. Of course phonetic laws constantly modify this result, as is shown by the last instance. Loco is a 'learned' word; the 'popular' form is luogo'. So again, the Lat. faciem was pronounced facye or (by a change of declension) facya in Folk-Latin, and the Italian form is, consequently, faccia. The final s of neuter nouns may be cut off in the same way; thus tempus gives It. tempo, and even the Lat. adv. melius gives It. meglio.

§ 218. One great value of Italian is the assistance it gives in investigating the etymologies of words in the Romance languages, on account of its usually exhibiting fuller forms, that conduct us more easily to the original Latin. And in general, it must be understood that no etymology of a Romance word can be correct, unless the Latin word will yield, in accordance with phonetic laws, all the connected extant words in all the Romance languages. The value of the assistance which each of them gives the other is obvious. By way of example, we may take the E. word search,

¹ Hence arise doublets; thus the learned word for 'cold' is *frigido*; the popular form is *freddo*.

borrowed from the A. F. sercher, which is equivalent to mod. F. chercher. The Ital. form is cercare, which takes us back at once to Lat. circare, to go about, traverse (Lewis and Short), hence to explore, in medieval Latin. It is therefore a verb formed from the Lat. circum, around. Or again, take the E. word coy, borrowed from the F. coi. The O. F. form was coi(t), the Span. form is quedo, and the Ital. cheto, all of which can be formed from the Lat. acc. quietum. We thus learn that coy is merely a double of quiet; a fact which is hardly obvious at first sight. And so in other cases.

§ 219. I now attempt to give a list of the chief words in English that have been borrowed from Italian, either directly, or through the medium of the French. The list is, I trust, longer and more correct than any that has yet been given. The list in Trench's English Past and Present contains over 100 words, and includes ambuscade, domino, filigree, and lagoon 1, which are of Spanish origin, protocol, which is French, and harlequin, which seems to occur in French long before it was known to Italian. The present list is at least three times as long, and might be further increased by adding several musical terms, such as andantino, sostenuto, maestoso, moderato, largo, larghetto, con spirito, con brio, lento, marcato, staccato, &c.; but these are technical terms, and their Italian origin is well known. I find a list of Italian words in A Manual of our Mother Tongue, by Hewitt and Beach, 4th ed. 1889, p. 4902; but it is extremely disappointing to find that, though the authors had my dictionary to copy from, they were unequal to copying it correctly, and

¹ I once likewise thought *lagoon* was Italian; but two passages in Dampier's *Voyages* (1699), i. 241, iii. 8, prove that it is the Span. *laguna*.

² There are some good things in this book; it is a sign that some knowledge of Anglo-Saxon is becoming commoner. But the A.S. words, when deprived of their accents, have a comic look and are valueless to the learner. If a press has not the types d, ℓ , &c., then it is best to print \tilde{a} , \tilde{e} , &c.

inform us that such words as ball (dance), captain, companion, guitar, gulf, soar, are Italian, when they are clearly French, and there is no special reason for supposing that the French forms were borrowed from Italian in particular. Also, that farrago is Italian, when it is obviously Latin, and of course the Italian word would take the form of the accusative case; in fact, it is farraggine. Also, that folio and quarto are Italian; whereas they are mere Latin ablatives, like octavo and duodecimo. Trench makes the same mistake of calling folio Italian, but he leaves out quarto.

- § 220. In the following list, I do not give the full etymologies, as I have given them elsewhere; except in a few cases, where I have noticed words that I have not hitherto treated. But I indicate the etymologies generally by noting the ultimate source in each case. The symbols used are these following.
- (1) Words borrowed from Italian directly are printed in Roman type.
- (2) Words borrowed through the medium of French are in Italic type.
- (3) Words not followed by any remark are of Latin origin.
- (4) In other cases, the ultimate source is indicated by the following marks: Arab.—Arabic; C.—Celtic; Du.—Dutch; G.—German; O.H.G.—Old High German; M.H.G.—Middle High German; Gk.—Greek; Heb.—Hebrew; Pers.—Persian; Skt.—Sanskrit; Teut.—Teutonic; Turk.—Turkish. The symbol (?) indicates that the source is unknown or uncertain.

Accolade¹, accordion², alarm, alarum, alert, allegro, alto, altruism³, andante (?), apartment, appoggiatura (L. and Gk.)

¹ F. accolade, It. accollata, fem. pp. of accollare; L. ad, collum.

² It. accordare, to accord; for the suffix, ef. clar-ion.

² It. altrui, (for) another, probably from the L. stem altr-, with a termination taken from the interrogative pronoun c-ui; with Gk. suffix -ism.

arabesque (Arab.), arcade, archipelago (Gk.), arpeggio (Frankish harpa=A.S. hearpa), artisan, askance, attitude.

Bagatelle (Teutonic), balcony (Teut.), baldacchino (Pers.) 1, baluster (Gk.), balustrade (Gk.), bandit (O.H.G.), banisters (=balusters), barouche (through G.), barracks (Low L.), barytone (Gk.), bassoon, bastion (?), battalion, belladonna, bergamot (Turk.) 2, biretta (Gk.) 3, bombast (Gk.), botargo (Arab.) 4, bravo (?), breve, brig (?), brigade (?), brigand (?), brigantine (?), broccoli, bronze (Teut.), brusque (?) 5, bulletin, bunion (?), burin (G.), burlesque (?), bust (?).

Cab or cabriolet, cabbage (vegetable), cameo (?), campanile 6, candy (Pers.), canopy (Gk.), cantata, canteen (G.), canto, canzonet, cape (headland), caper (a dancing about), caprice, capriole, capuchin (?), carcase (Pers.?), caricature (C.), carnival, caroche (C.), carousal (for carousel, a pageant, C.), cartel (Gk.), cartoon (Gk.), cartouche or cartridge (Gk.), cascade, casemate (?), casino, cassock, catacomb (?), catafalque (?), cavalcade, cavalier, cavalry, charlatan, cicerone, citadel, cognoscenti (i. e. connoisseurs, knowing ones), colonel 7, colonnade, compliment, comply, compost, concert, concordat, contraband (L. and G.), contralto, conversazione, cornice, corporal (in an army), corridor, cortege, costume, countertenor, cuirass, cupola, curvet.

Dado, decant (L. and O.H.G.), diaper (Gk., from Arab.),

¹ From Bagdad, in Persia; spelt Baldacco in Italian.

² It. bergamotto is thought to be an adaptation of Turk. beg-armūdi, prince's pear (Murray). This remark applies to the bergamot pear. But there is another bergamot, the name of a tree (Citrus Bergamia). This also is Italian, from the place-name Bergamo.

³ From It. berretta, Low L. birretum, cap, dimin. of birrus (byrrhus), cape of wool, from Gk. πυβρός, flame-coloured.

⁴ M. It. botargo, Arab. butarkhah, preserved mullet-roe, Coptic outarakhon, Copt. article ou and Gk. ταρίχιον, pickle; see Murray.

⁵ It. brusco, sour; prob. from labrusca, sour wine (Florio); L. labrusca.

⁶ I. e. a bell-tower, from campana, a bell.

⁷ Also coronel, which is the Spanish form.

dilettante, ditto, doge, douche, dredge (to sprinkle flour, from Gk.), ducat, duel, duet.

Emery (Gk.), escarpment (L. and Teut.), escort, espalier (Gk.), esplanade, extravaganza.

Facade, ferret (silk), fiasco, florin, floss (silk), fracas, fresco (O.H.G.), frigate (?), fugue, fustian (Egyptian).

Gabion, gala (?), gallery (?), gallias (?), galligaskins (Gk.), galvanism, gambol, gazette (?), generalissimo, germander (Gk.)¹, giaour (Turk., Arab.), gondola (Gk.), gonfalon (G.)², grampus, granite, grotesque (Gk.), grotto (Gk.), group (G.), gurgle, gusset (?), gusto. Hall (a sudden stop, G.)³.

Imbroglio (?), imprese, improvisatore, inamorata, inamorato, incarnadine, incognito, infantry, influenza, infuriate, intaglio, isolate; jargonelle (Pers.), junket ⁴

Lava, lavender, lavolta (for la volta, the vault, i. e. bound), lazaretto (Gk., from Heb.), levant, loto (O. H. G.), lutestring.

Macaroon, maccaroni, madonna, madrepore (L. and Gk.), madrigal (Gk.), magazine (Arab.), malaria, manage, manége, mandolin (Gk.), manganese (Gk.?), manifesto, maraschino ⁵, marchpane, marmot, maroon (the colour, of unknown source), martello (tower), mezzotinto, mien, milliner, miniature, mizen, model, monkey, monsoon (Malay, Arab.), motet, motto, mummy (Pers.) muscadel (Pers., from Skt.), muscadine (Pers., from Skt.), musket, muslin (Syriac).

Niche, ninny (?), nuncio; opera, orange (Pers.), oratorio, orchestra (Gk.), orris (Gk.), ortolan.

Paladin, palette or pallet, pantaloon (Gk.), pantaloons (Gk.), partisan (one of a party), parapet, pasquin, pasquinade, pastel,

- 1 F. germandrée, It. calamandrea, L. chamædrys, Gk. χαμαίδρυς.
- ² Gonfalon is the Ital. form, gonfanon, the French.
- 3 It. alto; from G. halt, hold!
- 4 We might add 'Jerusalem artichoke,' substituted for It. girasole.
- ⁵ From It. marasca, 'a kinde of sowre cherrie,' Florio; probably from L. amarus, hitter. Cf. It. amarine, 'the first cheries that come, called so because they are something bitter'; id. In fact, the form amarasca occurs; see Diez, Et. Dict. II a, s. v. marasca.

pedant (Gk. ?), periwig (Du., from F., from Ital.), peruke, piano, pianoforte, piastre (Gk.), piazza (Gk.), pilaster, pilgrim, pinnace, pistol, pistole, piston, pivot, polony, poltroon (G.), pomade, pontoon, populace, porcelain, portico, postillion, preconcert, profile, punchinello, Punch.

Quartet, quota; ravelin (?), rebeck (Arab.), rebuff (?), redoubt, regatta (?), reprisal, revolt, rice (of Eastern origin), ridotto (redoubt), rivulet (= Ital. rivoletto), rocket (firework, G.), rocket (plant), rodomontade, ruffian (Teut.?).

Salad, sallet (helmet), salmagundi, saveloy, scamp, scamper, scaramouch (Teut.), scarp (Teut.), scimetar (Pers.), scope (Gk.), semibreve, sentinel, sentry, sequin (Arab.), seraglio, serenade, shamble, v. (Du., from F., from It.), sienna, signor, signior, sirocco (Arab.), size (glue), sketch (Du., It., L., Gk.), smalt (O. H. G.), soda, solo, somersault, sonata, sonnet, soprano, spinet, squad, squadron, stanza, stiletto, stoccado or stoccata (Teut.), strappado (Teut.), studio, stucco (O. H. G.).

Taffeta (Pers.), tarantula 1, termagant, terrace, terra-cotta, theorbo (?), tirade (Teut.), tontine, torso (Gk.), tramontane, travertine 2, trill (?), trio, trombone, tuck (a rapier, G.), tucket (O.H.G.), tufa 3, turquoise (Pers.).

Umber, umbrella, ultramontane; vault (to leap), vedette, vidette, vermicelli, violin, violoncello, virtuoso, vista, vogue (G.), volcano, Voltaic. Wig (Du., from F., from It.). Zany (Gk., from Heb.), zero (Arab.).

To the above list I have little hesitation in adding jane, a kind of cloth. Jane in M. E. meant Genoa or Genoese.

¹ Ital. tarantola, 'a serpent called an eft or an euet; some take it to be a flye whose sting is perillous and deadly, and nothing but divers sounds of musicke, can cure the patient; also, a fish so-called'; Florio. Named from Tarentum.

² In modern geology; It. travertino, older form tivertino, from L. Tiburtinus, from Tibur (Tivoli).

³ In geology; for It. tufo, L. tofus, soft stone.

CHAPTER XV.

THE SPANISH ELEMENT.

§ 221. The nature of the contact between English and Spanish is remarkably different from that between English and Italian. In this case, the direct literary influence is There never was a time when Spanish inappreciable. literature was generally or widely understood or sought after in England; and almost the only Spanish author known even by name to the general public is Cervantes, whose Don Quixote was first translated into English by Shelton in 1612-20, and has been translated very frequently since. We must look in other directions for our opportunities of becoming acquainted with Spanish. It will be found that our borrowings from it have been due to our commercial and political relations with Spain, augmented by the descriptions of Spain and of her colonies which have been furnished by travellers and navigators. There was no doubt a brief period, in the days of queen Mary and her successor Elizabeth, when dons, grandees, and hidalgos (all Spanish words) were to be seen in England, and when some smattering of Spanish might be met with at the English court; but it soon passed away, and has left no remarkable traces behind it. The real place of meeting between the Englishman and the Spaniard was in the western world and on the open sea. Hence it is that nearly all the West Indian, Mexican, and Peruvian words in our language have come to us in a Spanish spelling; a matter which will be considered hereafter, when we consider such words more particularly.

We have also to note the remarkable difference between Spanish and Italian caused by the invasion of the Moors, who first landed in Spain in 700, and continued to exercise dominion there till 1492, the very year in which Columbus first touched at San Salvador (Oct. 12). Hence Spanish abounds with words of Arabic origin, and we find many substantives to which the Arabic definite article al (the) is prefixed, as in Span. al-coran, the Koran, which Chaucer has introduced into his Man of Lawes Tale (l. 332) with the spelling Alkaron. A large admixture of Semitic with Aryan words in the same language is a remarkable phenomenon; but it has its parallel in Persian, wherein the number of foreign or Arabic words is very large, though the structure of the language remains Aryan still. Of course it will also be readily understood that many of the Moorish words that occur in Spanish are found in Portuguese likewise.

§ 222. It is important to remember that the Arabs, and amongst them the Moors, were remarkable for their love of letters. They were well skilled in Greek, and translated from Greek into Arabic numerous scientific treatises, especially such as related to mathematics, metaphysics, physics, and the science of medicine. They founded universities in Spain, and many of their scientific works were soon translated into Latin 1. Hence it came to pass that many of our medieval scientific terms, such as zenith, azimuth, algebra, and the like, though of Arabic origin, really came to us from Spain, sometimes through the medium of French, and sometimes in a Latin or Spanish form; and they appear in English literature much earlier than might, perhaps, be expected. Some such words occur in Chaucer and even before his time, and

¹ See Dissertation II. in Warton, *Hist. Eng. Poetry*; and the Introduction to Lockhart's *Spanish Ballads*, or consult the Histories of Span. Literature by Bouterwek and Ticknor.

will, mostly, be considered in discussing words of Semitic origin; but it will be well to notice here such as came to us in a Spanish form; and this leads up to the first question, viz. what are the words that reached us in a Spanish dress (sometimes slightly modified by a French spelling) before what I have called the modern period, i.e. before the year 1500?

§ 223. Such a question, owing to my imperfect knowledge, I can only answer partially; but it is not difficult to point to more than twenty. By consulting my Dictionary, and the Supplement to it, it will be seen that hazard and tabor occur in Havelok (before 1300); and that Chaucer uses the words alembic, galingale, hazard, realgar (which he spells resalgar), racket, sugar, zenith; also, in his Astrolabe, prol. 62, almenak (for almanac), and azimuth 1. In the Promptorium Parvulorum (1440), we find such words as amber, battledoor, caraway, cork, pint, ream. Capstan occurs in Allit, Poems, ed. Morris, B 418; cotoun, i.e. cotton, and guybybes, i.e. cubebs, in Mandeville's Travels, pp. 212, 50. The Liber Custumarum, p. 83, has the A. F. basene, i.e. basil (leather) and cordewan; the Liber Albus, pp. 224, 225, has A.F. alemaundes, i.e. almonds², symak, i.e. sumach, and genetre, i.e. fur of the genet. To which we may add the verb to garble, occurring in 1483, and discussed in § 224.

All these words were imported with the things which they describe, excepting the words azimuth, zenith, and almanac, which were also imported, but in a different manner, viz. as scientific or 'learned' words which had found their way into MSS. written in Latin or French. Hazard was originally a game at dice, and found its way into French very early.

¹ Chaucer has azimut, which is the Spanish form. I have wrongly derived it from Arabic directly.

² The A. F. *al-emaunde* is derived from L. *amygdalum*, with insertion of *n* before *d*; but it also has the Arab. prefix *al* (the), proving that the name came to France by way of Spain.—See the New E. Dict.

Racket was likewise, as now, the name of a game. Similarly, saffron and alkali were early imports, but though both of Arabic origin, they do not seem to have come to us through Spanish. Chaucer likewise uses other scientific words of Arabic origin, such as almicanteras and almury, terms relating to an astrolabe; but they are obsolete.

δ 224. Spanish words of the modern period. Passing on to the period after 1500, we meet, sooner or later, with words that were imported from Spain directly or gathered from the mouths of travellers in that country, such as alcalde1, alcayde, alcove, castanets, chopine, don, duenna, dulcimer, hidalgo, lackey, matador, and some others; names of dances, as fandango, morris-dance, pavan, saraband; names of cardgames or cards, as ombre, primero, quadrille, spade, to which add the verb to punt (to play at basset); names of coins, as doubloon, maravedi, real; names of armour or arms, as casque, morion, grenade, petronel; words relating to merchandise. as cask, tariff, quintal, and numerous imported articles, as benzoin, cochineal, indigo, jade (a green stone), julep, pellitory, sassafras, sherry, syrup, talc, tent (wine), ultramarine, vanilla; nautical terms, as armada, arsenal, commodore, filibuster, flotilla, launch (a long-boat), stevedore, tornado; names of races, as creole, sambo, and of foreign animals, &c., as albatross, alligator, armadillo, bonito, booby (the bird), chinchilla, giraffe, manchineel (the tree), mosquito; besides the numerous words relating chiefly to the New World, some of which are true Spanish, as coral, llano, lasso, mustang, quadroon, ranch, savanna. The number of what may be called 'literary' words, referring to abstract conceptions, is extremely small; such are paragon (Shakespeare), punctilio (Ben Jonson), peccadillo; hazard was originally the name of a game at dice, and risk meant, at the first, no more than a

¹ Alcalde is Span. for 'the cadi'; see cadi in my Supplement, and Murray's Dictionary. Alcayde is a different word, and meant 'the captain of a castle'; see Murray.

dangerous rock at sea. Of course we have frequently, in our English manner, turned many of the substantives into verbs. as to hazard, to risk, to cork, to caparison, to mask, &c.; but I can find no words that were actually introduced as verbs except to garble (discussed below), to disembogue, a traveller's or seaman's term, to punt, a term in card-playing, and the nautical terms (of somewhat doubtful origin) to pay, i. e. to pitch a ship, and to capsize. Carbonado was at first a substantive, as in Marlowe, 1st part of Tamburlaine, iv. 4. 47; though also used as a verb by Shakespeare, Wint. Ta. iv. 4. 268; see the New E. Dictionary. The verb to garble was borrowed from the O.F. garbeler, to sift, which is merely the Span. garbillar, to sift, from the sb. garbillo, a sieve. Cotgrave gives the form as grabeller, but Godefroy has garbeller, though he has misunderstood the word and entered it in the wrong place. Under the heading gerbele (for which he has neither quotation nor authority, and which he explains as a sb. meaning a sort of spice (sorte d'épice), he has two quotations, both containing the form garbelle. The former runs thus:—'xxviii. quintaulx, lii. ll., vii. onces poivre net et garbelle,' which clearly means:- '28 quintals, 52 pounds, 7 ounces of pepper, pure and garbled (i.e. sifted). Garbelle is not here a sb., but the pp. garbelle, agreeing with the masc. sb. poivre, just as the adj. net does; for the accent over the past participle is not marked in O.F. MSS. quotation gives us, in fact, the very form which, in my Dictionary, I had to assume as being the original of the E. word, which was used in the sense 'to sift' as early as 1483.

§ 225. It has been noticed that the literary influence of Spanish upon English has been extremely slight, and was chiefly confined to the sixteenth century. Thus Sir Philip Sidney's Arcadia owes something to the Diana Enamorada of Montemayor, and to the Spanish romances of Amadis of Gaul and Palmerin, and queen Elizabeth herself was a Spanish scholar. But the acquaintance of Englishmen with vol. II.

Spanish was far less intimate than their knowledge of Italian, and this was the cause of an odd grammatical error which is by no means uncommon. Englishmen picked up the fact that -ado was a Spanish suffix, as seen in Don Armado and in Massinger's play of The Renegado, and they attempted to generalise from this in an odd way, in order to display their knowledge. Accordingly, they turned the Span. fem. sb. carbonada into carbonado, and played the same trick with Span. emboscada, Tudor E. ambuscado; Span. bastonada, Tudor E. bastinado; Span. barricada, Tudor E. barricado; and several other words of the same kind; see the suffix -ado in the New E. Dictionary. Emboldened by this, they even substituted this -ado for the Italian suffix -ata, as in the case of the Ital. strappata, Anglicised as strappado. Palisado was another form, answering neither to the Spanish palizada nor the Ital. palicciata, but obtained by turning the F. palissade into imagined Spanish. Even Shakespeare twice uses armado instead of armada to mean 'a fleet'; though it might have been thought that he knew sufficiently what an armada was like, to be able to give a good account of it.

In the eighteenth century, we may just notice a useful book known as H. Swinburne's *Travels through Spain* in 1775-6, which is occasionally cited in Johnson's Dictionary.

Quite recently, there has been somewhat of a revival of Spanish in English literature, chiefly due to the numerous novels and poems relating to America in which reference is made to the various American colonies that belong, or once belonged, to Spain. Thus I take up a copy of Bret Harte's Poems, and find in it such words as adobe, unbaked brick (cf. Ar. $t\bar{u}b^1$, a tile); alcalde, a cadi or judge; cañon, a deep ravine, spelt on another page canyon, i.e. phonetically; caballero, a cavalier; chapparal, a grove, put for Spanchaparral, a grove of ever-green oaks; hacienda, a planta-

¹ The Arab. al $t\bar{u}b$ regularly becomes at $t\bar{u}b$, by assimilation.

tion with a residence; madroño, a strawberry tree (Arbutus unedo); peso, a coin, originally a weight (cf. F. poids, from L. pensum); ranch, short for Span. rancho, a cattle-station (due to O. H. G. hring); rancheria, a set of buildings at a ranch; tortilla, a kind of pan-cake, lit. 'little tart'; vaquero, a cowboy (from L. uacca); besides other more familiar words, such as lasso, mustang, padre (priest), rey (king), señor, sierra, stampede. It may be doubted whether the current spelling is always correct; thus we have seen above how the Span. chaparral has become chapparal, and in the poem of Friar Pedro's Ride, we find:—

'Each swung a lasso, alias a "riata."'

Here *riata* (the usual spelling) is a mistake for *reata*, the true Span. form; the probable derivation is from L. *re-* and *aptare*, to fit; cf. Span. *atar*, to bind. Over and above this, the English in America have coined another form, *lariat*, out of the same, by prefixing the fem. def. article *la*. In like manner, we may find a fair sprinkling of Spanish words scattered up and down the pages of such novels as *The Riflerangers*, or the *War-trail*, by Capt. Mayne Reid. It is curious to note how, after some centuries, Spanish words are thus drifting into English works of fiction, coming to us, not from Spain itself, but across the Atlantic ocean.

§ 226. One interesting point about the American Spanish is that it has certain peculiarities of pronunciation, which should be noted. Thus lasso cannot be derived from the Span. lazo, as is usually said (because in that word the z is pronounced as E. th), but represents another form laso (with voiceless s, as in English), as given in Minsheu's Span. Dict. (1623), agreeing with the form now in use in Texas. In the same way, Mexican and Peruvian words, preserved to us in Spanish spellings, commonly depend upon the Spanish pronunciation of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries; and it sometimes makes a difference.

I may mention here the names of a few of the most useful books for the purpose of tracing such words. Such are: R. Percyuall's Bibliotheca Hispanica (Gram. and Dict.), 1591; Jas. Howell's Lexicon Tetraglotton, in English, French, Italian, and Spanish, 1660; Minsheu's Span.-Eng. Dict., 1623, quite a distinct work from Minsheu's Eng. Dict., or Ductor in Linguas, 1617 (2nd ed. 1627), though they are often confounded1; Capt. J. Stevens' Span.-Eng. Dict., 1706 (2nd ed. 1726); and P. Pineda's Span.-Eng. Dict., 1740. The last is very useful, but I suspect that the author copied a good deal from his predecessors. A later work is the Dict. by Neumann and Baretti, ed. Seoane, 2 vols. 8vo. 1862. See also the book-list in Körting, Rom. Phil. iii. 539. E. words of Span. origin may be found in Hakluyt's Voyages. 1580 and 1598-1600; The Three First English Books on America, ab. 1555, ed. Arber, 1885; J. Frampton's Joyfull Newes out of the newe founde Worlde, from the Spanish of N. Monardes, 1577; Acosta's Natural History of the E. and W. Indies, translated into English by E. G., 1604; &c. I have also found help from the Diccionario Etimologico de la lengua castellana, por el Dr. D. P. F. Monlau; Madrid (2nd ed.), 1881. A very useful book is the Glossaire des mots espagnols et portugais dérivés de l'arabe, by Dozy and Engelmann; Leyden, 1869.

§ 227. Sources of the language. The main source of Spanish is Latin, but the Latin element is by no means so large as in Italian. The other sources are well described in the Introduction to Monlau's *Diccionario Etimologico*, pp. 53-67, and by Körting; the principal being Greek, Gothic, Arabic, Basque, French, Italian, and various languages of the West Indies; and there are even a few words from German and English. Amongst the last the author notices

¹ One correspondent told me that there is no such book as the Span. Eng. Dict. of 1623. I was obliged to disbelieve this, as I possess copies of both works. Correspondents say strange things.

bifteck, bill, brick, esplin, lord, pl. lores, milor, rosbiff, and wagon; and he would add ardite, contradanza, mequetrefe, and zafo. Some of these are not obvious; however, bifteck is beef-steak, esplin is spleen, lores is the plural of lord, milor is my lord, and rosbiff is roast beef. Ardite, an old word meaning 'a farthing,' is said to be a corruption of the E. farthing, but there are difficulties about this etymology; Diez supposes it to be of Basque origin. Contradanza is country-dance. Maketrefe is a maker of trifles, a noisy, objectionable fellow. Zafo is a nautical term, meaning 'clear of risk'; i.e. it is the E. safe.

The Greek element comes in twice; once through the Latin, and again through Arabic, as the Arabs knew Greek well. It is also used for modern scientific terms.

Gothic, i.e. Wisi-Gothic, appears chiefly in proper names and in terms of war; but its traces are perhaps slighter than we might expect to find them. English has borrowed guyin guy-rope, and stampede.

Arabic, on the other hand, has had great influence, not only upon the vocabulary, but even upon the pronunciation, especially on the sounds of j, z, and x; and we can hence understand the frequent occurrence of the aspirate h, which is so weak in Latin, and is as good as lost in Italian. However, the Span. h, formerly strongly aspirated, is at present nearly mute. The number of Arabic words in Spanish exceeds a thousand, though many of them are archaic. Many place-names are likewise of Moorish origin, as Gibraltar (mountain of Tarik), Guadalquivir (great river); indeed, the prefix Guada in river-names is the Arab. wādī, channel of a river, which we write as Wady in place-names. Many Arabic words begin with al- or a-, the definite article; some words that once had this prefix have now dropped it. Strangely enough, al- is even prefixed to words of pure Latin origin. The Moors were fond of h, x, z; hence the substitution of h for f, as in humo, smoke; L. fumum.

Monlau singles out the following words as being frequently of Arabic origin, viz. such as prefix an al-, and such as begin with the combinations az, co, ça, ha, cha, chi, cho, chu, en, gua (esp. guada), xa, xe. He adds some curious examples of the effect of Arabic pronunciation upon Latin names; thus Pax Iulia became Bathlios, Badallos, and is now Badajoz; Castra Cesaris is now Cáceres; Hispal became Hisbalis, Asbilia, and is now Sevilla; Castra Iulia was cut down to -tra Iulia, Torgiella, Truxillo, Trujillo; and Cesar(is) Augusta became Saracosta, Zaragoza.

The words of Basque origin are not numerous, but cause great difficulty. This difficulty was largely increased by Larramendi, the author of the best Basque Dictionary, who had an unlucky theory that nearly all Spanish was derived from it. Consequently his work abounds with absurd puerilities, many of which every philologist will instinctively recognise as inventions. It is a sad reflection that bold and hardy inventions were once considered commendable, and even admirable, in an etymologist. Now that we are expected to search out the facts, there is some hope for the study.

Several French and Italian words have been admitted into Spanish without difficulty, owing to the similarity of the idioms and to facility of communication.

Some words are formed from names of places or of men, like E. calico, pasquinade (which are not Spanish).

Some words, as in other languages, are of imitative origin; it is supposed that tiritar, to shiver with cold, is intended to imitate the chattering of teeth; cf. Gk. ταρταρίζειν, used in the same sense. This is the verb whence, possibly, comes E. tartan, originally a very thin cloth.

For more exact details about the history of the Spanish language and its dialects, see Körting, *Encyclopaedie und Methodologie der Romanischen Philologie*, Heilbronn, 1886; part iii. pp. 501–564.

§ 228. Pronunciation. I merely give here some hints on the more important sounds; and beg leave to refer the reader to the account in the Spanish Grammar by W. I. Knapp, Boston, 1881, which describes the pronunciation of Castilian, as in use at Madrid; to P. Foerster's Spanische Sprachlehre, Berlin, 1880; and to Del Mar's Span. Grammar, 5th ed. 1853.

Vowels. The sounds of the primary vowels are simple; a, e, i, o, u, have the usual Italian sounds, the e and o being 'close,' like E. e in vein and o in no (abating the after-sound of u). E and o sometimes take, however, the 'open' sound, viz. when e stands before final r, and when o stands before final r or final n; cf. E. there, gone, glory; to which Foerster adds the cases in which e and o stand before r followed by another consonant, or before such combinations as sp, st, zc, zqu. Otherwise they retain the close sound, and all the vowels are sounded fully and clearly. 'In Castilian the vowel-sounds predominate over those of the consonants to a degree without a parallel in the other Romance tongues; and, whereas the vowel-sounds are full and sonorous, those of the consonants are subordinate, smothered, and frequently suppressed;' (Knapp).

Y is written for the vowel i finally after another vowel, as in rey, and in the word y, i. e. and. Otherwise, it = E. y.

Note. When e and o receive the accent, they often pass into the 'rising' diphthongs ie, ue, in which each element is distinctly pronounced, with the accent on the latter. Thus from L. sentire we have Sp. sentir, infin., to feel, but yo siénto, I feel. From L. rogare, we have rogár, to ask, but ruégo, I ask.

The usual correspondence with the Latin and Folk-Latin vowels may be thus expressed.

Latin.a, ā ξ ,æē, ĭ, œ $\bar{\imath}$ ŏ, \bar{o} , ŭ \bar{u} auFolk-Latin.aei \bar{o} ou auSpanish.ae, ie (ye)e, i, ie \bar{i} o, ue \bar{o} , u \bar{u} u au, \bar{o}

Exx. L. mălum, Sp. malo; clārum, claro; uěnire, venir; fērum, fiéro; cælum, ciélo; equam, yegua; uērum, vero; uĭridem, verde; pœnam, pena; librum, libro; niuem, nieve; uīuum, vivo; rŏgare, rogar; rŏgo, ruego; hōram, hora; gŭlam, gola; plŭuiam, lluvia; cūram, cura; causam, causa; taurum, toro.

N. B. E also arises from a, when i follows in the next syllable; as in capio, quepo; laïcum, lego. And o also arises from al, as in alterum, otro.

Diphthongs are very numerous, and are always pronounced by pronouncing separately, but quickly, the vowels which compose them.

Del Mar gives the following list, viz. \acute{ai} $(\acute{a}y)$, \acute{au} , $e\acute{a}$, \acute{ei} $(\acute{e}y)$, \acute{eo} , \acute{eu} , $i\acute{a}$, $i\acute{e}$, $i\acute{o}$, iu, $o\acute{e}$, δi $(\acute{o}y)$, $u\acute{a}$, $u\acute{a}$, $u\acute{y}$, $u\acute{o}$; also the triphthongs, $i\acute{ai}$, $i\acute{ei}$, $u\acute{ei}$, $u\acute{ei}$, $u\acute{ey}$. He remarks that it so happens that the accent always falls on the vowel which comes first in the order of the alphabet, except in $i\acute{o}$ and δi .

We have seen that ie may arise from Lat. accented ĕ, as in fiero from L. fĕrum; and from Lat. accented e 'in position,' i.e. before two consonants, as in siento from L. sentio. Occasionally it stands for L. (accented) i; as in nieve, from L. niuem. If ie occurs at the beginning of a word, it is written and pronounced ye; as in yegua, a mare, from L. ĕquam.

Ue arises from L. accented o, as in ruego, L. rogo; or from L. δ in position, as in fuente, L. fontem; and sometimes from L. u when i follows in the next syllable, as in verguenza, O. Span. vergueña, L. uerecundiam.

Au also arises in several ways from the vocalisation or loss of a consonant. Thus we have L. actum, auto; captiuum, cautivo; absentem, ausente; parabolam, paraula (obsolete, now palabra); salicem, sauce; adhuc, aun. Thus au < ac, ap, ab, al; or from contraction.

§ 229. Consonants. The following account is sufficient for the purposes of E. etymology. I must beg the reader to

remember that it is insufficient for the purpose of speaking the language, as the sounds must be *heard*.

There is no written k or w.

- B. As E. b; but see the account of v below.
- C. As E. k before a, o, u, or a consonant; as E. th (th) in thin before e, i. Hence ca (ka), ce (thé), ci (thi), co (kó), cu (ku). Here the vowels have the Italian sound; e' and o' being close.
- Ch. Precisely E. ch in church. Cci is (kthi), as in accion (ak-thiòn), i. e. action, with open o.
- D. 'D has technically the E. sound; but, as in the case of b and v, there is simple contact without pressure, on the part of the organs involved in its formation.' Initially, it is E. d, slightly inclining to (dh), i.e. E. th in thou. Between two vowels, and finally, it actually passes into this sound. Exx. dar (dar, d^har), to give; hado (aardhó), fate; ciudad (thiu dhadh), city, the accent being slightly on the i, but nearly evenly distributed between the i and u, which are pronounced separately and in rapid succession; Madrid (madhridh), Madrid. In a sentence, it inclines to (d) near voiceless letters, and to (dh) near voiced ones or a vowel.

F as in English. So also l, m, n, p, t, x (if not final), y (consonant).

G. As E. g before a, o, u; but as Sp. j (see j below), or like E. h (strongly aspirated), before e, i. Thus ga (ga), ge (hé), gi (hi), go (gó), gu (gu). If E. hard g, as in get, give, is to be denoted, it is written gu before e and i; thus gue (gé), gui (gi); except in the diphthongs give, give (gwé, gwi), where the u is duly marked. Remember that in the 'romic' notation, the sound (g) never varies.

H, formerly a strong aspirate, is now silent.

J. A very difficult and peculiar sound, and by some thought to be due to Moorish influence, though it does not appear to be much older than A. D. 1600¹. It comes very near the sound

¹ See Körting, Rom. Phil. iii. 512.

- of G. ch in ach before a, o, u, and that of G. ch in ich before e, i. We may write it, provisionally, as (kh), for the present purpose. When final, it is also written x; as in reloj, relox, (relokh), pl. relojes (relokhes). But many now say and write relo. This strange-looking word is merely the L. horologium 1.
- K. The sound, but not the symbol, exists; it is written c before a, o, u; qu before e, i.
- L. As in English. But ll is E. lli in William (wil'yəm), and stands for L. cl, gl, pl, bl, fl, ll. Exx. llave (lyaa'vé), key, L. clauem; sellar (sél'yar), L. sig(i)llare; llano (lyaa'nó), a plain, L. planum; trillar, L. trib(u)lare; llama, L. flammam; silla (sil'ya), a chair, L. sella.
- N. As in English. But \tilde{n} is E. ni in onion (ən·yən); as in $a\tilde{n}o$ (an·yo), a year, L. annum. Pronounce the a very clearly here, almost (aa). Ng = E. ng in linger, not as in singer.
- P = E. p. Qu = E. k; but only used before e, i. The E. qu exists before a, e, i, but is written cu; as in cuarto (kwartó), L. quartum; cuerpo (kwerpo), L. corpus; cuidar (kwidhar), to heed, take thought for, L. cogitare.
- R. R, between two vowels, is the trilled E. r, as in E. very; it remains trilled before any consonant, and after b, v, t, d. This Knapp calls the 'smooth r.' But there is also what he calls a 'rolling r,' by which I suppose he means that it is 'buzzed,' as Mr. Sweet calls it (Handbook of Phonetics, § 109). This occurs in the case of initial r, double r, and after l, n, s. We might write it (rr). Exx. ara (aa·ra), altar; puerto (puer·tó), port; bruto (bruu·tó), brute; ramo (rraa·raa), bough; error (error), error; honra (hon·rraa), honour. [This must be learnt by ear.]
- S. S is invariably voiceless, according to Knapp. Note particularly the voiceless sound between two vowels, as in

¹ The O. Span. j was precisely the E. j in judge (juj), O. F. j and ge, now turned into F. (zh). Thus L. (ho)rologium became O. Sp. reloj (reló·j), by dropping ho.

mesa (mésa), a table. According to Foerster, it is voiced finally in unaccented syllables, as in casas (kasaz), houses; and in the prefix des- or dis- when a vowel or voiced consonant follows. Bs is pronounced as ps. T = E. t.

V. This is a difficult sound, and unknown in English. It closely resembles b, and is frequently confused with it; and they are often written one for the other. Thus the old beuer = bever, to drink, is now written beber, and vivir, to live, was formerly viuir; so that the medieval inscription on a drinking-cup, bibere est vivere, was enforced, in Spain at least, by the confusion between the sounds of the words. Even volver, to turn, was formerly written boluer, in spite of the Latin spelling uoluere. The v is, in fact, merely the voiced b, made by keeping the lips nearly in the same position as for b, and allowing voiced breath to pass. The English v is made by a greater change in the position of the lips, viz. by drawing in the lower lip beneath the edges of the upper teeth, thus producing a much clearer difference between v and b. Knapp remarks:—'These two letters are distinct in theory, and in most situations interchangeable in practice. The Castilian does not give either of them the full English sound, except [to b] after m, because with him the approximation of the organs employed in their production amounts to simple contact without pressure.' If the b be pronounced with but slight effort, the true labial v resembles it the more. Knapp quotes a curious passage in which the Spanish Academy affirm that b and v are alike in a great part of Spain, although they ought not to be'; which is very oracular.

X. As in English, x = ks (ks); except finally, in a few words, when written for j. See j above. In old books, x frequently has the sound of j, as in *Don Quixote* (don kikhó·té)¹, in which name Englishmen who say (kwixət) with the E. i mispronounce every single letter except the t! In

¹ Now usually spelt Quijote, to indicate the j-sound.

the case of Sancho Panza (san·chó pan·dha), the Englishman who says (sæn·kó pæn·zə) also manages to score five mistakes.

Y. Y is like E. y in you. Z has the sound of E. th in thin before a, o, u; the same sound being written as c before e, i. It is commonly sounded as th in thou (dh), between vowels and finally, and in conjunction with liquids or voiced consonants. Foerster gives the pronunciation of escena, a scene, as (ezdhé na); which is quite an exceptional case.

We may notice the following examples in which the *same* sound is denoted variously, according to the vowel which follows.

K. In ca, que, qui, co, cu.
G (hard). In ga, gue, gui, go, gu.
Th (voiceless). In za, ce, ci, zo, zu.
J (kh). In ja, ge, gi, jo, ju.

Spanish avoids doubled letters, ${\it ll}$ being considered no double letter, but a special symbol.

Only cc, nn, and rr are admitted, and these only in different syllables; as in ac-cé-so (akthé·só), en-no-ble-cér (en-nó-ble-thér), cár-ro (kar·ró). Accents are often used to denote the accented syllable, or to distinguish words spelt alike. The usual rule for unmarked words is to accent the last syllable of words ending in a consonant, and the last but one of words ending in a vowel. The reason is that the former set have usually lost a syllable. Thus ciudád represents L. ciuitatem, and tenér is L. tenere. In short, the Latin accent is usually preserved.

§ 230. The present spelling is, to a considerable extent, phonetic. The older spelling is more vague, and we may notice in it the following confusions, viz. l for initial ll; y for i; i for j and y; u for v; x or even g for j; confusion of c with qu; and of c with c and c; &c.

The sounds must also have changed considerably in many instances. Thus debda, debt, from L. pl. debita, became devda, and is now deuda (déudha). The intervocal d, becoming (dh), was sometimes dropped, as in ver, to see, for veder (L. uidere). C or f before e and f was originally (ts), and is now (th). Voiced f was (df), and is now (dh). f and f were at first distinct, f being (sh), and f the E. f (j), but later the F. f (zh). Later still, both were used for (kh).

English words are mostly taken from the Spanish of the 16th and 17th centuries, and preserve old pronunciations. Thus E. saraband is from carabanda (with c=ts?); but c became (th) and is now written z, so that we have to look for it under z. E. lasso represents laso, later lazo, now pronounced (lath.o). In zenith and azimuth, the Span. z was derived from Arab. voiceless s. sherry (at first sherris) goes back to a time when the X in Xeres was still (sh). Jennet, a Spanish horse, and giraffe, were borrowed from F. genette, giraffe, from Span. ginete, girafa, from Arab. zenāta, zarāfa; where the Span. g, like the French g, was (zh), substituted for the Arab. z. The same Arab. z occurs in Port. and O. Span. azagaia, which we have Englished as assegay or assagai, by turning the voiced z into voiceless s; cf. E. lancegay. In this case, the Span. z must have been pronounced as in Portuguese and Arabic, i. e. as E. z in zone. Tudor E. words such as barricado (Sp. barricada) show no trace of the sound of d as (dh). Other examples occur in words of West Indian origin.

§ 231. Derivation. In passing from Latin to Spanish, the usual vowel-changes are given in § 228. Other changes that have been noted above are these: a > e, when i is in the following syllable; ab > au; ac > au; al > au or o; ap > au; i > ie, ye; b > v > u, as in pl. debita, F. L. deb'ta, whence debda, devda, deuda; $nn > \tilde{n}$; bl, fl, gl, pl, cl > ll. Cu is written for qu in cuarto, cuestion. H is dropped in pronunciation, and may be dropped in spelling.

The consonantal changes are given by Diez, and, much more fully, by Foerster, and are complex, involving derivation from Arabic, &c., as well as from Latin; the difficulties have been increased by the changes in pronunciation and in spelling. I shall here only mention such of the changes as are most necessary for understanding the etymologies of such Spanish words, of Latin origin, as have found their way into English; with a few additional examples. The principal changes, then, are given by the following formulæ.

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C > qu, g; qu > cu, c. Ce, ci, c(e), c(i), cci > ch.

T > d; ti > z; tc(e) > ch. Ct > t, (n)t, ch; nct > nt.

P > b, v. B > v, u. F > h.

Initial sc, sp, st > esc, esp, est. Sc > z. X > s.

L > r; r > l. Mn > mb, \tilde{n}. Pl, cl > ll.
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To these we may add the vowel-changes already noticed, viz.—a > e, when i is in the next syllable; ab, ac, ap > au; al > au, o. Lat. $\check{e} > e$, $i\check{e}$; $\check{i} > e$; $\check{o} > o$, ue; $\check{u} > o$.

It will be understood that such changes as of c to g, t to d, p to b, v, are commonest when the voiceless letter occurs between two vowels. Voiced letters, as d, g, and even Lat. i (consonant) sometimes disappear between two vowels; and unaccented vowels disappear between two consonants. Substantives are formed from the accusative case of the Latin noun, as in Italian and French.

§ 232. Vowels. Low L. caballarium, S. caballero; Low L. primarium, S. primero. L. balbum, S. bobo, whence E. booby. L. sextam, S. siesta. L. uiridem, Folk-L. ver'de, S. verde; whence S. verdugo, a young shoot of a tree, a rod, verdugado, a thing provided with hoops or bent twigs, explained by Minsheu (1623) as 'a verdingall reaching to the feet;' later forms fardingale, farthingale. L. dominum, F. L. domnum, S. don; L. domina, S. dueña (for duenna), E. duenna. Low L. maiorinum, a steward of a household (from L. maior), S. merino, s., an inspector of pastures, merino,

adj., roving from pasture to pasture (said of sheep), whence E. merino.

§ 233. Gutturals. L. muscam, a fly, S. mosca; dimin. mosquito, a little fly. L. buccam, mouth, S. boca; whence embocar, to enter the mouth (of a river), desembocar, to flow (as a river) into the sea, with change of c to g in E. disembogue. L. lacertum, a lizard (pronounced occasionally as lacartum?), S. lagarto, a lizard; whence el lagarto, the (great) lizard, E. alligator (confusing el, from L. illum or ille, with Arab. def. art. al), formerly spelt alagarto, aligarto, later alligarto, &c.1 The E. paragon is from the obsolete Span. paragon, now spelt parangon (with inserted n like E. nin messenger, passenger, &c.); Minsheu (1623) has: 'Parangon or Paragon, an equall, a fit man to match him, one comparable with.' The etymology of this difficult word has been much disputed. Mr. Braunholtz kindly refers me to the probable solution of it by Tobler (Zeitschrift für Roman. Phil. iv. p. 374), who connects it with Gk. παρακόνη, a touchstone. Toler that, Hound cambol. fr. Ily but Tala

L. quatere, to shake, quass-are, to shatter, F. casser); hence an extended form * quassicare, to shatter, S. cascar, to shatter, break in pieces; hence S. casco, a shard of a broken pot, and then used in a variety of senses; Minsheu (1623) has: 'Casco, a burganet, a skull, a caske; a head, a pate, a skonce, an earthen pot, sheard or galley cup; also, burnt tile or bricke, a peece of a broken bone, a shard of a pot or tile,' i.e. it meant a pot-sherd, then a pot, cup, finally a cask (in one direction); also a cup, scull, head-piece, casque (in another). Cask represents the Spanish, and casque a French spelling.

L. cimicem, a bug, Folk-L. cim'ce, S. chinche; dimin. chinchilla, a quadruped so named, as if from its smell; but the name is undeserved, and the reason for it not apparent.

¹ Which proves that the E. a was still pronounced (aa), being confused with ar, in the 17th century.

L. coccus, a berry (from Gk. κόκκος), also kermes for dyeing, which was likened to a berry; hence L. coccinus, scarlet; S. dimin. cochinilla, cochineal, made from insects that resemble berries. L. regalem, S. real, royal (with loss of g), also the name of a coin; E. real. L. uagina, sheath, S. vaina; dimin. vainilla, a pod of a plant; E. vanilla.

§ 234. Dentals. T>d. L. armatu(m), S. armado; dimin. armadillo. So also L. camer-a, with suffix -atam, gives S. camarada, a company, also an associate, E. comrade. L. renegatum, S. renegado, E. renegade. L. scala, a ladder; whence S. escalada, F. escalade, E. escalade. L. granatum, full of seeds, S. granado; fem. granada, a pomegranate, also a grenade filled with combustibles, F. grenade, E. grenade. L. paratam, prepared, S. parada, a being in readiness, hence 'a standing or staying-place where hunters stay for to shoot at a deere,' Minsheu; F. parade, a halt on horseback, hence, a display; E. parade. So also E. carbonado, substituted for S. carbonada, as explained in § 225; from L. carbonem, coal. E. tornado, for S. tornada, a return (of a storm), from tornare, to turn. L. batuere, to beat, S. batir; whence batidor, a beater, E. battledore. Cf. matador, stevedore (§ 235). L. commendare, to commit to trust, S. comendar, to recommend; hence S. comendadór, 'a commendary, he who has a revenue in commendam, either Priest, or Knight of the Military Orders,' Pineda; shortened in E. to commodore (for comenddor) 1. L. creatum, S. creado, one created, also one who is educated, also spelt criado, with the sense of 'servant'; hence dimin. criadilla, a little servant-maid, contracted to creole by the negroes.

L. spatha (spata), a sword (from Gk. $\sigma\pi\acute{a}\theta\eta$, sword-blade), S. espada, a sword; pl. espadas, 'the suit at Cards

¹ Minsheu explains comendador as 'a commander, a lieutenant, one that hath commandments given him in charge.' It was used, however, as a title, like our admiral. I find it so used in a letter by Columbus, dated 1500.

call'd Spades, more properly call'd by the Spaniards espadas, because on their Cards they are made in the Shape of Swords; 'Pineda.

Ti>z. L. rationem, S. razon, reason; similarly, from Low L. capa, a cape, Low L. caparo, a kind of cape, was formed S. caparazon (as if=*caparationem), O. F. caparasson, E. caparison.

Tc(e)>ch. L. corticem, Folk-L. cort'ce (pron. kortse), S. corcho, cork; also made into corque, al-corque, whence E. cork.

Ct > t, (n)t, ch; nct > nt. L. fructum, S. fruto, fruit; similarly, L. mactatorem, a slayer, S. matador. L. pectus, breast, S. peto, breast-plate, petrina, girdle; hence F. petrinal, E. petronel. (S. petrina is also spelt pretina, with a dimin. pretinilla, a small belt). L. pictum, painted, S. pinto, where the n is evidently due to the infin. pingere (cf. E. paint); fem. pinta, a spot, mark, later a marked measure, a pint, F. pinte, E. pint. L. dictum, a saying, S. dicho; similarly, L. factum, (pp. of facere), S. hecho (pp. of hacer), a deed, whence malhecho, an evil deed; this explains 'miching mallecho' (pronmiching malee cho), skulking mischief, in Hamlet, iii. 2. 146; the h being silent. L. tinctum, S. tinto, deeply tinted; vino, tinto, red wine, E. tent (wine). L. punctum, S. punto, point, dot, pip on a card; hence F. ponte, a punt, a punter, ponter, to punt; E. punt. The dimin. is S. puntillo, a small point (of honour), E. punctilio, with c needlessly inserted.

§ 235. Labials. P > b, v. L. duplum, double, S. doble; S. doblon, a double-pistole (coin); F. doublon, E. doubloon. L. stipare, to press together, S. estivar; whence S. estivador, a packer, stower, E. stevedore.

B>v. Gk. $\sigma \acute{a}\beta avov$, a linen cloth, L. sabanum; S. sabana, savana, a sheet for a bed, hence a plain, E. savanna (cf. E. 'sheet' of water).

F > h (common). L. fumum, S. humo; so also L. facere, S. hacer, whence Low L. facienda, a farm (Ducange), S.

hacienda, landed property, E. hacienda (in books about America). L. filium, S. hijo, son; whence S. 'hijo dalgo or hidalgo, a gentleman' (Minsheu); lit. 'son of something'; dalgo=d'algo, from de, of, and algo < L. aliquod. The usual sense of algo is 'something.' But some say that this is only 'popular etymology,' and that hidalgo is a corrupt spelling of idalgo, from Lat. Italicum, with reference to the privilege of the ius Italicum (Pliny, Nat. Hist. iii. 21)¹.

§ 236. Spanish prefixes e to sc, sp, st. We have already had escalade, from L. scala; and S. espada from L. spatha; so too estable is Spanish for 'stable'; cf. E. establish (from French).

Sc>z; thus Gk. σκαμβός, crooked, L. scambus, has become Span. zambo (tham bó); but the older form was cambo, once pronounced (tsam bó); hence E. sambo, applied to a negro; a term of derision (§ 230). X>s; thus L. anxium, S. ansio, anxious. L. saxifraga, saxifrage, O. Span. sassafragia, S. sasafras; whence F. sassafras, E. sassafras.

§ 237. Liquids. L and r interchange. L. lilium, lily, S. lirio, iris; so S. dulcemele>E. dulcimer. Gk. $\pi \hat{\nu} \rho \epsilon \theta \rho \sigma \nu$, a hot plant (from $\pi \hat{\nu} \rho$, fire), L. pyrethrum, S. pelitre, E. pellitory (distinct from 'pellitory of the wall,' from L. parietaria). So too E. freebooter was turned into Spanish as filibuster, a form which we have borrowed back from them without recognising

^{1 &#}x27;Como aliquid y bonum son términos correlativos, se toma el algo por bien. Y así la ley 2, titulo xxi, partida ii, hablando de los hijosdalgo, dice: "E porque estos fueron escogidos de buenos logares, é con algo, por en los llamaron fijos de algo, que muestra tanto como fijos de bien."'—Monlau, Dict. Et. s. v. algo. I. e. As aliquid and bonum are correlative terms, algo is taken as meaning property. And thus Law 2, tit. 21, part 2, speaking of the hijos-dalgo, says: 'And forasmuch as they were selected from good positions, and possessed of something, therefore they called them sons of something, which signifies as much as sons of property.' But, s. v. hidalgo, Monlau favours the other etymology, from Italicus. However, the O. Span. form was fidalgo, which has to be explained as a contraction for fijo 'dalgo, from filium Italicum. It would settle the matter if we might be allowed to have historical proof of this.

it as an E. word. Mn > mb (with excrescent b); L. hominem, Folk-L. hom'ne, S. hombre, whence juego del hombre, 'game of the man,' E. ombre, a card-game; S. juego < L. iocum. Also, $mn > \tilde{n}$, as in F. L. dom'na, S. dueña; whence E. duenna. Pl > ll; L. planum, S. llano, E. llano, a plain. The Span. ll also occurs in L. olla, a pot, S. olla; hence olla podrida, 'a hotchpotch of divers meats put in one pot,' Minsheu; this we have turned into olio, just as Shakespeare turned armada into armado. Also in puntillo, a small point (of honour), E. punctilio; pecadillo, E. peccadillo, a little sin, dimin. of pecado, a sin, L. peccatum.

§ 238. I now attempt to give a list of words that came to us from Spanish, either immediately or through the medium of French (as in the case of words borrowed from Italian). The latter are distinguished by being printed in italics. also make a note of the ultimate source, using the abbreviations: Ar.=Arabic; C.=Celtic; Du.=Dutch; E.=English; G.=German; O. H. G.=Old High German; Gk.=Greek; Mex.=Mexican; P.=Persian; Peru.=Peruvian; Skt.= Sanskrit; T.=Turkish; W. I.=West Indian. Words of Latin origin are left unmarked; those of doubtful origin (?). The whole number of words exceeds 200, of which about 70 came to us through the French; about 50 (i.e. a quarter) are of Arabic origin, and more than 20 came from N. or S. It will be seen that the words of Latin origin form America. but a small proportion; which is remarkably different from the case of Italian.

Alcalde (Ar.), alcayde (Ar.), alcove (Ar.), alembic (Ar., from Gk.), also spelt limbeck, alguazil (Ar.), alligator, alpaca (Peru.), amber (Ar.), ambuscade (G.), anchovy (Basque?), aniline (Ar.-Pers.), armada, armadillo, arsenal (Ar.), asinego or assinego¹, atabal (Ar.), auto-de-fé.

¹ Spelt asinico in Sh. Troil. ii. 1. 49 (modern editions assinego); S. asnico (Minsheu), dimin. of asno, ass; L. asinum.

Barricade (?), basil (leather, Ar.), bastinado (?), battledoor, benzoin (Ar.), bilboes (place-name), bizarre (Basque?), bolero (?), bonito (Ar.), booby, bravado (?), brazil (Arab.?), brocade.

Cacao (Mex.), cacique (W.I.), calabash (Pers.?), calenture, cambist, camisado (C.?), cannibal (W.I.), cannon (at billiards, of doubtful origin), canoe (W.I.), caparison, capsize (doubtful), capstan, caracole (or else Italian, of doubtful origin), carafe (Ar.), caravel (Gk.), caraway (Ar.), carbonado, cargo (C.), carmine (Ar.), cask, casque, cassava (W.I.), castanets (Gk.), cayman (W.I.), chinchilla, chocolate (Mex.), chopine (?), chulo (?), cid (Ar.), cigar (?), cinchona (place-name), coca (Peru.), cochineal (Gk.), cockroach (Gk.), commodore, comrade, condor (Peru.), copal (Mex.), cordwainer (place-name), cork, corral, cotton (Ar.), courtesan, creole, cubeb (Ar.).

Desperado, disembogue, domino, don, doubloon, dragoman (Ar.), duenna, dulcimer. Eldorado, embargo (?), ensilage (Gk.), escalade.

Fandango (?), fanfare (Ar.), farthingale, filibuster (E.), filigree, flotilla, funambulist.

Gabardine (Low L.), galingale (Ar.), galleon (?), galliard (?), galloon (?), gambado, garbage (Ar.), garble (Ar.), garrote or garrotte (C.), genet (Ar.), giraffe (Ar.), grandee, grenade, guanaco (Peru.), guano (Peru.), guava (W. I.), guerilla, better guerrilla (O. H. G.), guiacum (Mex.).

Hacienda, hazard (Ar.-Pers.), hidalgo, hurricane (W. I.). Iguana (W. I.), imbargo (?), indigo (Skt.), infanta. Jade (stone), jennet (Ar.), jesuit (Heb.), julep (Pers.), junta, junto.

Lackey (Ar.), lagune or lagoon, lasso, launch (kind of boat), lilac (Pers.), limbeck (Gk.), llano. Maize (Mex.), mallecho, manatee (W. I.), manchineel, mandilion (Ital., from Span., from Ar., from L.), maravedi (Ar.), maroon (for cimarron, Gk.), mask or masque (Ar.), masquerade (Ar.), matador, merino, minaret (Ar.), morion (Basque?), morris-

dance (Gk.), mosque (Ar.), mosquito, mulatto (Ar.), mustang. Ogee or ogive (Ar., from Gk.), olio, ombre.

Parade, paragon, parroquet or paraquito (Gk.), pavan (Tamil), pay², peccadillo, pelleter or pellitory (Gk.), peso, petronel, picadill, picador³, picaroon⁴, pint, pintado⁵, platina (Gk.), potato (W. I.), primero, punctilio, punt (at cards). Quadrille (card-game), quadroon, quintal (Arab., from L.), quixotic (name).

Raquet or racket (Ar.), ranch (from O. H. G. hring), real (coin), realgar (Ar.), ream (Ar.), reformado, renegade or renegado, risk, rob (a conserve of fruit, Ar.), rumb (Gk.), rusk (?).

Saker (a gun, Ar.), salver, sambo (Gk.), saraband (Pers.), sarsaparilla (?), sassafras, savanna (Gk.), shallop (?), sherry, siesta, spade (at cards, Gk.), spaniel (from Spain), spinach (Pers. ?), stevedore, sugar (Skt.), sumach (Ar.), syrup (Ar.).

Tabby (Ar.), tabor (Pers.), talc (Ar.), talisman (Gk.), tambour and tambourine (Pers.), tare (allowance for waste, Ar.), tariff (Ar.), tarragon (Pers., from Gk.), tartan, tent (wine), tobacco (W. I.), tomato (Mex.), tornado, trice (of imitative origin), truck (to barter, Gk.?). Ultramarine. Vanilla, verandah⁶. Xebec (Turk.). Yucca (W. I.). Zenith (Ar.).

- ¹ Not from L. mulus; but from Arab. muwallad, foreigner, not a true Arabian, allied to walad, a son.
- ² I. e. to pitch a ship; prob. from Span. pegar, to pitch a ship; from L. pix. Or perhaps from A. F. peier, to pitch; see poier in Godefroy.
 - ³ A picador is a rider or jockey, from picar, to prick, spur.
 - 4 Picaron, a great knave; from picar, to spnr, also, to run away.
- ⁵ A guinea-hen; lit. 'painted,' pp. of pintar, to paint; from L. pingere.
- ⁶ Usually said to be Eastern. But it is O. Spanish. Minshen has 'varanda, railes to leane the breast on'; from vara (L. uara), a stick. See the article on Veranda in Ynle's Anglo-Indian Glossary. It is spelt varanda in 1498; was carried to India by the Portuguese; found its way even into late Sanskrit; and was brought back again from India to England.

CHAPTER XVI.

THE PORTUGUESE ELEMENT.

§ 239. Trench, in his 'Study of Words,' mentions thirteen English words which he supposes to have been of Portuguese origin. I suspect that the number is at least thrice as many; and this question is worth much more consideration than it seems to have received. The difference between Spanish and Portuguese is striking in many respects. The pronunciation of the latter does not seem to have been affected by Arabic to any great extent, and consequently is sometimes nearer to the Latin; on the other hand, it shows, in several points, a marked resemblance to French, especially in the frequent use of the nasal m and n. Again, it is chiefly through Spanish that we have acquired many Arabic and West Indian words; but the words acquired through Portuguese have often come from Africa, from Brazil, and even from India, precisely as history would teach us. In fact, we may, in dealing with foreign terms, expect that words from Persia and the Levant will come through Italian, unless the Persian words come through Arabic and Spanish; that words from Mexico, Peru, and the West Indian islands will come through Spanish; and words from Africa, India, and Brazil will come through Portuguese, as above said. Very few of the foreign words of the modern period have reached us through French directly, but it is, in a great many instauces, the last channel through which they pass before we can get them from Spain or Italy. The geographical conditions are modified by the history of the nations; we must know where

each nation has been most active, and at what period. All is expressed when we say that 'borrowings are due to actual contact'; history will tell us how contact has been attained.

- § 240. Portuguese, being one of the Romance languages. is mainly of Latin origin; but, like the rest, contains several foreign elements, of which one is Arabic. The Arabic words are rather numerous; many of them begin with al, the Arabic definite article. It has a much smaller Basque element than Spanish has, but a much larger infusion of French. The language is spoken in the province of Gallicia as well as in Portugal. 'Commercial intercourse,' says Diez, 'introduced many northern words into Portugal, which are unknown to the sister language, as britar, to break (A. S. bryttian, cf. E. brittle), doudo (E. dolt), pino, a peg (E. pin).' Of these, the term doudo is the origin of E. dodo, so that the word has come back to us, but effectually disguised. The Portuguese literary monuments go back to the 13th century. For further information, see Körting, Romanische Philologie, iii. 564.
- § 241. Pronunciation. The language is not always spelt phonetically; in particular, the pronunciation of unaccented vowels varies from that of accented ones. The normal pronunciation of a, e, i, o, u, is the same as in Italian, e and o (also a) occurring both with the close and open sounds. But a, e, o, when unaccented, pass, respectively, into a (the indeterminate vowel), a, and a, as in a in a is indistinct, being a 'mixed' vowel; a fogo (fó·gu), fire 'with close accented a. A final vowel is often dropped, leaving the last syllable accented; as in a amor (əmó·r), love, a. a morem.

As a full account of the pronunciation would extend to

¹ I take these examples from an article by M. Gonçalves Vianna, a native of Lisbon, in *Le Maitre Fonétique*, July, 1889; p. 79. The account of the pronunciation in Vieyra's Port. Grammar, 1858, is hopelessly unintelligible.

some length, I only give here a few notes. But the reader will find an elaborate paper on all the sounds of 'Spoken Portugueze,' by Dr. Sweet, in the Phil. Soc. Transactions, 1882, p. 203.

Diphthongs are very common, and frequently arise from the loss of a consonant between two vowels; as eu (eu), I; L. ego. Tr is similarly lost in pai (pai), father; L. patrem. Ai, ei, arise from a, e, followed by i in the next syllable; as aipo (aipu), celery (L. apium); feira (feirə), a fair; L. feriam. Ect>eit; as in direito (direitu), right, L. directum. Act>ait>eit; as in feito (feitu), made, older form faito, L. factum. This is strikingly like O. French, and unlike Spanish, which has derecho, hecho. Oi similarly arises from o followed by i in the next syllable; as coiro (koiru), leather; L. corium. Ou is sometimes a close o, and sometimes a diphthong; it answers to L. au, oc (before t), and u followed by i in the next syllable; as in cousa, L. causam; doutor, L. doctorem; Douro, a river-name, L. Durium (nom. Durius).

§ 242. Consonants. Doubled consonants are common, but are not always sounded double, as in Italian. The most remarkable points about the consonantal sounds are these.

Ce, ci=se, si (se, si), as in French; otherwise c has the power of k (k). When c is to be sounded as s before a, o, u, it is written c, as in French. Ch was originally (ch), as in E. chin, but is now, in Lisbon, sh, as in French; ex. cheiro (shéi·ru), smell, from Low L. flagrare, put for L. fragrare. This ch answers, etymologically, to Span. ll, and to L. cl, fl, pl, as in chamar, Sp. llamar, L. clamare; chamma, Sp. llama, L. flammam; chorar, Sp. llorar, L. plorare.

G, precisely as in French, is pronounced as E. g in go before a, o, u, but as (zh) before e and i. Gu, is (gw) before a, o; but (g) before e and i. J, as in French, is pronounced (zh) before all vowels.

Initial h is invariably mute. L, as in English; but lh (= Span. ll) has the sound of (ly), i. e. as lli in William

(wil-yəm). Lh answers to L. ll, li, cl, tl, gl, pl (see Diez); ex. filho, son, L. filium. Final l is often dropped; as in só, alone, L. solum; mu, mule; diabo, devil. M, when occurring initially or between vowels (in the same word) is pronounced as (m); finally, or before a consonant, it is dropped, like the F. nasal n, but nasalises the preceding vowel; such words as assim, thus, bem, well, must be heard to be appreciated.

The letter n is treated in exactly the same way as m; but the final n is never written in full. It is merely indicated by the mark called til in Portuguese, and tilde in Spanish, which is written over the preceding vowel, or over the former vowel of a diphthong. This mark is the medieval mark of contraction for n (or m), and is merely a roughly written n flattened out by having its upright strokes made very short; and it was customary to write it above the preceding vowel. The Port. custom of writing it over the former vowel of a diphthong is curious, as it does not agree with the medieval custom. Thus, in Latin MSS., catēa = catena; but in Portuguese, não = naon, and is pronounced (naun), i. e. as (nau) with a nasal pronunciation; it is the same word as the F. non, L. non. In Portuguese, the final ão is extremely common, as it often answers to L. -onem, as in razão (rəzaun), reason; visão (vizaun), vision. The til is also used for writing plurals in ns; thus the pl. of cão, a dog, is cães; written at length, these words would be spelt caon, caens. The name of the poet Camoens is written Camões. Nh is the Port. equivalent of Span. \tilde{n} , It. gn, i. e. (ny), or the sound of niin onion. It occurs in E. ipecacuanha, which is pronounced in a way peculiarly our own 1; I suppose (ipe·kakwan·ya) would be nearer the correct sound; but the word is really Brazilian (see § 244). A genuine Port. word is banho (ban'yu),

¹ I only know it, as a literary word, in some verses quoted in the Sabring Corolla:—

^{&#}x27;Coughing, in a shady grove, sat my Juliana; Lozeuges I gave my love, íp-e-cá-cn-án-ha.'

Ital. bagno, Sp. baño, a bath; from L. ba(l)neum. Nh < L. n, nn, ni, ne.

Qu, as in Spanish, is pronounced as k before e and i. Before a and o, it is usually (kw).

S, like E. s, is voiceless initially, but voiced, i. e. becomes (z), between two vowels; as in E. sin, chosen. Also, z has the E. sound of z in zone. But, in the pronunciation of Lisbon, the s and z at the end of a syllable are peculiarly treated. They are pronounced as sh (sh) at the end of a sentence, or before a voiceless consonant, and as (zh), i. e. as z in azure, before a liquid or a voiced consonant. Exx. mesma (mézhmə), the same; sonhos (sónyuzh), dreams, the next word beginning with m; tristeza (trishté zə), sadness; luz (lush), light; rosas (ròzəsh), roses, the next word beginning with the sound of s, and note that the o is open; viçosas como boninas (visòzəsh kómu buninəsh), luxuriant as daisies; não és tu (naun èsh tu), it is not thou.

X varies; its values are (ks), (s), (z), and (sh), according to Sweet. Etymologically, it is the Lat. x.

§ 243. Derivation. So many Port. words in English are taken from foreign languages, that little need be said of its relation to Latin. The following notes will, I think, be found sufficient.

The Span. forms lo (used before adjectives and abstract substantives), and la, occurring for the def. article (L. illum, illam), lose the l, and appear in Portuguese as o, a, the genitive being do, da (for de o, de a). This explains the name O-porto, i.e. 'the port'; hence E. port (wine). Again, the form auto-da-fé, act of the faith, is Portuguese; the Span. phrase is auto de fé. In auto, from L. actum, we see the change from act- to aut-; but L. factum became feito, and L. factitium became feitiço, artificial, or, used substantively, witchcraft, sorcery; hence E. fetish, a term which the Portuguese took to Africa. The L. suffix -tium in factitium became -ço (as above); so also -ceum became -ço in L.

mellaceum, made with honey, Port. melaço; hence E. melasses, now ill spelt molasses.

T>d. L. materia, Port. madeira, properly 'material,' hence timber, wood; whence the island of Madeira was named; E. madeira (wine). L. monetam, a mint, money, Port. moeda, a mint, with loss of n; hence moeda d'ouro, money of gold, E. moidore. The shorter term moeda answers to E. moy, in Shakespeare, Hen. V. iv. 4. 14¹. So also the L. suffix -ata becomes Port. -ada, as in Spanish; it occurs in marmel-ada, originally a conserve of quinces, from marmelo, a quince, L. melimelum, a quince, lit. honey-apple (with ar for el, the short i being dropped); hence F. marmelade, E. marmalade.

The loss of final l has been noted above (§ 242). Similarly, medial l is lost between two vowels, as in L. colorem, colour, Port. cor. So also the classical L. colubra, a snake, became colobra in Folk Latin, the second o being both open and accented. Hence Port. co'obra, by contraction cobra; and cobra de capello means 'snake with a hood'; see Notes and Queries, 7 S. ii. 105.

Metathesis of r and l occurs in Gk. $\pi a \rho a \beta o \lambda \dot{\eta}$, L. parabola, parable, speech, Port. palavra (for *paravla); this word also the Portuguese took to Africa; whence E. palaver.

L. pigmentum, a pigment, also, juice of plants, gave rise to Port. pimenta, which we have turned, as our manner is, into pimento.

L. stagnum gave us O. F. estang, a pond, M. E. stank, a pool. The Span. form is estanque, but the Port. dropped the Lat. s, so that the form became tanque, with qu=k. Hence E. tank, a word which the Portuguese took to India, where it is common in the sense of 'reservoir.' See Yule's Glossary of Indian terms, where it is shown that the word occurs also

¹ Schmidt quotes Douce's objection, that there were no moidores in the time of Shakespeare. The objection is naught; we have only to suppose that the Portuguese had 'money' of some kind at that date. No one can doubt it.

in the Guzeráthí tānkh, Mahrattí tánken, tanka; but there is every reason to believe that, even if these be indigenous words, the Port. word was in use also at an early period, as shown by the quotations given in that work. The M.E. stank occurs early, and is explained by the fact that the A.F. estang, a pool, is also spelt estank (Year-books of Edw. I. i. 415, ii. 451).

Other Latin words require no special explanation.

§ 244. I now give a list of the principal Port. words in English. I dare say it might be considerably increased by adding less common names of foreign articles. As in the two preceding chapters, I distinguish the (very few) words which have come to us through French by printing them in italics, and I note the sources of words that are of non-Latin origin.

Albatross (Port., from Sp., from Ar., from Gk.), albino, ananas (Brazilian), almyra , apricot (Ar., from Gk., from L.), assagai (Ar.), auto-da-fé, ayah.

Banana (Congo), bayadere², betel (Malabar), bezoar (Pers.), binnacle, bonze (Japan.), buffalo (Gk.), cash³, caste, cobra or cobra de capello, coco or cocoa, compound (in the Anglo-Indian sense of 'enclosure')⁴, corvette, dodo⁵, emu (?).

Fetish, firm (in the phrase 'a mercantile firm'), flamingo, gentoo ⁶, ipecacuanha (Brazilian), joss (a corruption of Port. Deos, God, like E. deuce), junk (in the senses of 'old rope' and 'salt junk'), kraal (Du., from Port., from L.), lingo',

¹ Anglo-Indian for 'a wardrobe'; Port. almario, L. armarium; cf. E. ambry, aumbry.

² F. bayadère, Port. balhadeira, a dancing-girl; from Low L. ballare, to dance.

³ In the sense of small coin; Port. caixa (by confusion with caixa, a money-chest), Tamil kāsu, Skt. karsha, the name of a small weight.

⁴ The E. word is from Malay kampung (Yule); but kampung may be from Port. campo, field.

⁵ Port. doudo, stupid (for *doldo; from E. dolt).

⁶ Port. gentio, gentile, heathen.

Port, lingoa, L. lingua.

madeira, mandarin (Malay from Hind., from Skt.), marmalade (Gk.), moidore, molasses, negro 1.

Pagoda (Skt.?), palanquin (Skt.), palaver, *parasol*, pimento, port (wine), tank, verandah (*better* veranda *or* varanda),² yam³ (Benin), zebra (Ethiopian).

- ¹ Port. rather than Spanish (Yule).
- ² Probably borrowed by Portuguese from Spanish, and so taken to India; see the Spanish Word-list in Chap. XV; p. 341, u. 6.
- ³ Port. inhame, O. Span. ñame. It has long heen thought to he African, but without evidence. However, the following quotation shows that it came from Benin, on the Guinea coast. 'Their bread is a kind of roots, they call it *Inamia*,' &c., in a Voyage to Benin; Hackluyt's Voyages, ii. 2. 129 (1599).

CHAPTER XVII.

THE GREEK ELEMENT.

§ 245. The Greek element in English is of considerable importance, but it is not necessary to treat it at any great length. Greek is the language to which modern English mainly resorts for its scientific terms; but these terms give (or should give) but little trouble to the etymologist, owing to the very slight changes which are made in coining the At the same time, it must be borne in mind that such words are often coined by men who have but slight acquaintance with the language to which they resort, and that the resulting forms are frequently due to bungling and blundering. Thus thermo-meter is a sort of compromise between a pure Gk. form thermo-metron and a French form thermomètre, with an accentuation which is solely due to the convenience of the Englishmen who wish to pronounce it; and many other words have Latin or French or English suffixes which must much astonish a Greek. Thus acephalous, anonymous have the suffix -ous, from L. -osum; the -cy in aristocracy, democracy, is not Greek, but a French travesty of Greek; and the Gk. u(v) is invariably turned into y, and pronounced like the E. i in bit, or, rarely, like the i in bite. The scientific men who constructed thermometer are responsible for the term barometer; but the latter term displays rather an ignorance than a knowledge of Greek. Greek for 'warm' is $\theta \epsilon \rho \mu \delta s$ (thermos), with a stem thermo-, used for making compounds; but if we were to conclude

from this that the stem baro- (in barometer) meant 'heavy,' as we certainly ought to be able to do, we should go wrong; for the Gk. for 'heavy' is βαρύς, with a stem βαρυ-, which would give barymeter, in accordance with bary-tone. It is usual to explain barometer by saying that it is derived from the sb. βάρος, weight, but I suspect it was simply made up, to pair off with thermometer, without any observation of the fact that the Gk, stem Bapv- is the one usually employed in forming compounds. It is quite common for tradesmen to coin 'Greek' and 'Latin' compounds rather to please themselves than with any regard to the rules of composition. I remember that there used to be hair-brushes made without a handle, the 'sine-manubrium' hair-brushes; where sine means 'without' and manubrium is 'handle,' and the compound was therefore assumed to be correct. The fact that sine governs an ablative case was not taken into account. Then, again, there were antigrópelos boots; and it was at last discovered that this wondrous word was compounded of auri (anti), against, υγρός (hygros), wet, and πηλός (pelos), mud; whence ant-ygró-pelos, a defence 'against wet mud,' soon turned into antigrópelos, with i for y, because anti- happens to be a familiar prefix. Here again, we have to suppose that dvti governs a nom. case, and that the Gk. aspirate can be suppressed at pleasure; the fact being that (except in Ionic) αντί must be turned into ἀνθ- whenever ὑ follows it. Even the turning of the η of $\pi\eta\lambda\delta s$ into the E. short unaccented e is rather a strong measure; but the English accent overrides everything, and shortens the η in clematis and the ω in *euphony* without the slightest hesitation.

§ 246. The fact, that a very large proportion of derivatives from Greek are either formed for scientific use or chiefly used in literature of a learned or classical character, renders their etymology easy and obvious enough to any one who has a moderate acquaintance with the language, and can, with some facility, consult a Greek lexicon. Even

the 'omniscient schoolboy' can tell us the etymologies of such words as acropolis, anthropophagi, and bibliomania; indeed, the longer the word, the more transparent are often its component parts; so that there is no need to dwell upon this part of the subject. Yet the very ease with which such words can be taken to pieces is a great snare; for the boy who can perform the somewhat easy feat of explaining such words as these, is very apt to draw the conclusion that he has come to the end of etymological investigation, and has nothing more to learn. This is a very common delusion, and even sometimes affects good classical scholars; for it is constantly the case that even Greek words present considerable difficulty, as soon as they become slightly concealed in a French dress. I much doubt if the etymologies of such words as blame, celery, currants, dropsy, fancy, frenzy, govern, graft, grot, gudgeon, ink, liquorice, megrim, place, quince, slander, surgeon, and a great many more words of the same kind are all of them familiar to the reader who has duly learnt Greek, and should therefore hold the key to explain them. Still more difficult are some words that have been disguised by passing through other languages; such as torso (through Italian), marmalade (through Portuguese), effendi (through Turkish), and the like.

§ 247. I think it may safely be asserted that no Greek word has reached us directly except during the modern period and through the medium of modern printed books; and even of these, the greatest part has been simply borrowed from various Greek lexicons, and consciously coined or adapted to suit the wants of literary composition or of scientific nomenclature. A considerable number of words has come to us, at various dates, through the medium of Latin; and, chiefly during the Middle English or the Tudor English periods, through both Latin and French. In every case Greek words have been reduced to a Latin spelling, the chief transliterations being th for θ , ϵ for κ , rh for $\dot{\rho}$,

y for v, ph for ϕ , ch for χ , ps for ψ , and h for the rough breathing or aspirate. In most cases, moreover, the Gk. suffixes are much changed or neglected; thus the Gk. -ov became L. -um in emporium, asylum, opium; the Gk. -os became L. -us in chorus, isthmus, nautilus, or is entirely dropped in E., as in abyss, centaur, spasm. So also apsis becomes apse; κάνοστρον, L. canistrum, becomes canister; εὐλογίον, L. eulogium, becomes eulogy; and so on. Words that have come through French can only be understood by help of the phonetic laws of that language; as when, for example, Gk. acc. πυξίδα, a box, Low Lat. buxida, produces the O. F. boiste, M.E. boist, with the Low Lat. dimin. bustellum, bussellum; whence, through O. F., the E. bushel. The last instance may remind us that the Latin form is often a late one, and unknown to the classical period. After these preliminary remarks, it is obvious that we must consider the more general question, as to how, and at what times. Greek words have reached us.

§ 248. Of the few Latin words of the First Period (vol. i. § 398), only one seems to be borrowed from Greek, viz. the verb to pine, from L. poena, a very early loan-word, from Gk. ποινή; but amongst those of the Second Period, i.e. from the fifth century to the Norman Conquest, about one third are certainly so borrowed; see vol. i. § 401, where the list of them is duly given. Most of these have reference to religious matters, and to such sciences as botany and medicine. Similarly, during the Anglo-French period, numerous Anglo-French words are ultimately of Greek origin, as almond, anise, astronomy, baptize, bible, &c.; and the same is true of a considerable number of Central French words likewise. Hence Greek shares with Latin, though to a smaller extent, the distinction of being a continuous source of supply to English from the fifth century down to the present day; the only difference between one period and another being that, whereas all earlier Greek words reached

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us at second or third hand, they may have reached us immediately ever since the revival of Greek learning, which may be dated, for England, in A. D. 1540 (vol. i. p. 15).

§ 249. The number of channels whereby Greek words have reached us is considerable. Such as were borrowed by Latin could obviously reach us through any of the Romance languages; and such as were borrowed by Arabic could likewise reach us through Spanish, or even through Italian and French. Using the symbol - to denote 'from,' the following examples prove the point. Alms (Low L.—Gk.); adamant (F.-L.-Gk.); grotto (Ital.-L.-Gk.); grotesque (F.—Ital.—L.—Gk.); sketch (Du.—Ital.—L.—Gk.); cochineal (Span.-L.-Gk.); palaver (Port.-L.-Gk.); marmalade (F.—Port.—L.—Gk.); troubadour (F.—Prov.—L.—Gk.); petrel (F.-G.-L.-Gk.), &c.; to which may be added examples in which the Latin word is not classical, but quite medieval. On the other hand, through Arabic, we have talisman (Span .- Arab. - Gk.); alembic (F. - Span .- Arab. -Gk.); carat (F.-Arab.-Gk.). And again, we may notice sanhedrim (Heb.—Gk.); effendi (Turk.—Gk.). I believe I was the first to make a systematic list of the channels through which borrowed words have flowed into English. The old system (as for instance, in Mahn's Webster's Dictionary) was to toss down an unarranged handful of related words, entirely ignoring the mode of their relationship. To this slovenly and unhistorical system I trust that we may never revert.

§ 250. Greek is one of the Aryan languages, as explained in vol. i. § 84. It is very largely original, the number of loan-words being few. But it has, at various times, borrowed words from Persian, Sanskrit, Hebrew, Arabic, and a few other languages. English examples are: cinnabar (Gk.—Pers.); pepper (L.—Gk.—Skt.); camel (L.—Gk.—Heb.); naphtha (L.—Gk.—Arab.). The case of panther is curious; this is the F. panthère, from L. panthera, from Gk. πάνθηρ;

where the Greek form is due to an attempt to give the word a native appearance; and a popular etymology from $\pi \hat{a}\nu$, all, and $\theta \hat{\eta}\rho$, a beast, gave rise to fables about its possessing the qualities of many other animals; see, e.g. the Bestiary of Philip de Thaun, l. 223, in Wright's Popular Treatises on Science, p. 82. But it is really, as might be expected, only a Greek adaptation of an Indian word, and answers to Skt. pundaríkas, which, after all, may be not an Aryan word at all. See E. R. Wharton's Etyma Græca, 1882, where the number of loan-words in classical Greek is estimated at 641.

§ 251. The Alphabet. The letters of the classical Greek alphabet are: αβγδεζηθικλμνξοπρστυφχψ ω , of which the letter σ (s) has a second form s, which is only employed at the end of a word. Every yowel that begins a word is marked either with the smooth breathing (as à) or the rough breathing (as a). The latter is practically a 25th letter, viz. an aspirate, written as h in transliterating Greek words; as in έπτά, hepta, seven, whence E. hepta-gon, hept-archy. Moreover, the symbol $\hat{\rho}$ is written rh, as in Gk. $\hat{\rho} \in \hat{\nu} \mu a$, L. rheuma, F. rheume, E. rheum. The other letters are usually thus transliterated: abgdezēthiklmnxoprstuphchpso. Note that ϵ (e) and o (o) are short, and answer to Lat. $\tilde{\epsilon}$, \tilde{o} ; and that u, when not forming part of a diphthong, is always represented by y in Latin, and consequently in all borrowed words in English; but the u is written when we wish to express the real Greek word in roman type. The word type itself is an instance; it is from the F. type, from Lat. typum, accus. of typus, from the Greek tupos (τύπος).

Capital letters are sometimes employed, chiefly for distinguishing proper names; but, for the present particular purpose of explaining English etymologies, they are an unessential luxury. The capital letters are: A B Γ Δ E Z H Θ I K Λ M N Ξ O Π P Σ T Y Φ X Ψ Ω . The names of the letters are well known, and are slightly changed from the names which they bore in the Phoenician alphabet. The most note-

worthyare alpha (a), $b\bar{e}ta$ (β), which conjointly give the L. $alphab\bar{e}tum$, and the E. $alphab\bar{e}t$, i.e. AB; delta (δ), used as the name for the spreading island formed by alluvial deposit at the mouth of a great river, originally applied to that at the mouth of the Nile, from the shape of the capital letter (Δ); $z\bar{e}ta$ (ζ), preserved in the E. name zed for (z); iota (ι) from Heb. yod, employed in the forms iota and jot to signify something very small, from the smallness of the Heb. yod; and omega (ω), i.e. $\dot{\omega}$ $\mu\acute{e}\gamma a$, or 'great o,' long o, the last letter, and so used in the sense of 'end.'

§ 252. Pronunciation. The usual pronunciation of Greek is to pronounce it as English, which is certainly wrong as regards the vowels. But it is usual to pronounce the Gk. γ (g) correctly, keeping it always hard; it is a pity the same rule is not usually extended to Latin, where it would be equally correct.

Vowels. The vowels changed from time to time, and were different in different dialects. As the subject is complex, and to some extent doubtful, I give the following approximate scheme; for a more exact one, see Sweet's Primer of Phonetics, p. 107. I may add that I attach but little value to §§ 252, 253, and 254, and do not guarantee their accuracy.

- a. If long, as (aa) in E. psalm; if short, the same sound shortened. Cf. Lat. ămātā.
- ϵ ; as E. e in met. η ; as E. e in vein, without the aftersound of i; or as G. ee in See.
- ι. If long, as E. i in machine; if short, the same sound shortened, as in F. fini, or nearly as E. i in pity.
- o; as E. o in not, for. ω ; as E. o in no (nou), but without the after-sound of u, or as G. o in so.
 - v; as G. \ddot{u} , whether long or short.

When Gk. words were borrowed by Latin, the Gk. u was invariably written with the Gk. symbol y (=Gk. Y), in order to distinguish it from the Lat. u, which kept the primitive sound. The symbol y is still called y-gree (Greek y) in

modern French. But the change did not stop here; for the sound of v again changed from \ddot{u} (y) to \dot{i} (i, ii), which is its value in modern Greek. Moreover, the F. y was also pronounced as \dot{i} (i, ii), in consequence of which mod. E., which turns (ii) into (ai), pronounces hydra as (hai·dro), and treats short y as short \dot{i} , as in system (sis·təm). Thus hydra, from Gk. $\delta\delta\omega\rho$ (hyy·door), illustrates all the changes from (yy) to (ai) in the order (yy), (ii), (ei), (ai); where (ei) represents the sound of E. long \dot{i} in the 16th century.

§ 253. Diphthongs. a. As ai in Isaiah; (ai).

e. Varies; as ee in G. See (Sweet).

o. As oi in boil; (oi).

av. As au in G. haus; nearly as ou in E. house; (au).

 ϵv . As ϵ , followed by v; but the E. Eu in Europe (yuu rəp) is sufficiently near.

ov. Originally, as o followed by v; but in Attic, in the fifth century B. C., it had already passed into the simple \bar{v} , i.e. (uu), or as E. oo in pool (puul); and it is best to give it this value.

vi. As v followed by ι ; but, if we put the accent on the ι , the v becomes w; hence as (wii).

a, η , ω , may be pronounced as \bar{a} , η , ω (aa, ee, oo), neglecting the subscribed ω .

In Latin words borrowed from Gk., $a\iota$ became ae, ae, at first pronounced (ai), as in Gk., but confused, in F. L., with long open e (èè). $\epsilon\iota$, like O. Lat. ei, became L. $\bar{\imath}$, and it passed into the same sound in Greek itself as early as the 3rd century B. c. (Brugmann, § 64); this at once explains the use of ei to represent $\bar{\imath}$ in Gothic, in which language the symbol i is restricted to the short vowel only. $a\iota$ became L. $a\iota$, originally with the same sound (oi), but confused, in F. L., with long close e (éé). $a\iota$, $e\iota$, remain as $a\iota$, $e\iota$; and $a\iota$ was written $a\iota$ simply. We have also to remember that $a\iota$ was written $a\iota$ (as above).

§ 254. Consonants. The following were originally pro-

nounced as in English: β (b), δ (d), κ (k), λ (l), μ (m), ν (n), ξ (x), π (p), ρ (r, trilled), σ (s, z), τ (t), ψ (ps). The σ was commonly voiceless; but was voiced to z before β and μ , and in other cases before voiced consonants, usually causing assimilation, &c. The γ (g) was always hard, as in go, gun. In the combinations $\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma\kappa$, $\gamma\chi$, the γ was pronounced as ng in sing. In the middle of a word the value of ζ is supposed to have been (dz) 1, and this is the best value to give to it in all positions. Its latest value was simple (z), as in modern Greek.

The letters θ , χ , ϕ , may be considered together. The original sounds were like the Skt. th, ph, kh, i.e. as t, p, k immediately followed by a slight escape of breath; compare the Irish pronunciation of Teddy as T(h)eddy. The Romans could not easily achieve these sounds; so they reduced θ , χ , to simple t, k, as in E. Thomas, anarchy. The ϕ , written ph, they either pronounced as in Greek, or reduced to simple p. In late F. L., ph became f (§ 167). For the modern Greek sounds, see § 255.

Besides these, we have to consider the smooth and rough breathings, and the digamma. The rough breathing took the place of y consonant; cf. Gk. δs , who, with Skt. yas (Brugmann, § 129); but it became like E. h in house, and must be so sounded. It also arose, in some cases, from an original initial σ , as in $\epsilon \pi \tau \dot{a}$, cognate with L. septem, E. seven; or even from an initial digamma (see § 265). The smooth breathing may be neglected in pronunciation. The digamma, written F, answers to E. w, L. u (consonant); it was early lost, and passed, initially, into the rough, or else into the smooth breathing. Thus $\epsilon \sigma \pi \epsilon \rho os$ (E. Hesperus) is allied to L. uesper; whilst $\epsilon \tau os$, a year, allied to L. uetus, old, was originally $\epsilon r os$.

§ 255. In connection with this subject, it is well to con-

^{&#}x27; If (dz) be unvoiced, it becomes (ts); hence the value (ts) for z, in Old French and in German.

sider the pronunciation of modern Greek; for which see E. M. Geldart's *Guide to Modern Greek*, London, 1858. The pronunciation, like that of English, has changed considerably.

Vowels. The modern values, in broad romic symbols, are these: a(a, aa); ϵ (èè), i. e. open long e; ι , η , ι , all alike, as (ii), i. e. i in machine; ι , ι , ι , both alike, as (ao), i. e. ι in naught.

Diphthongs. $a\iota$, as mod. Gk. ϵ ; $\epsilon\iota$, $o\iota$, $v\iota$, all alike, as (ii), which has already been given as the value of ι , η , v, so that these six sounds are all alike; ov, as (uu), i. e. E. oo in pool; av, as (aav), i. e. a followed by E. v, unless a voiceless consonant follows, when the v is f, and the sound is (aaf); ϵv , as (eev) or (eef), i. e. ϵ followed by v or f, according as a voiced or voiceless consonant follows; ηv , as (iiv) or (iif), i. e. η followed by v or f, in like circumstances.

Consonants. β ; as E. v (v). γ ; as G. g in tag (tagh); or, before ϵ , η , ι , $a\iota$, $\epsilon\iota$, $o\iota$, $v\iota$, as E. y in year. $\gamma\gamma$, $\gamma\kappa$; as E. ngg in finger (fing $g \ni \vartheta$); slightly palatalised if ϵ , η , ι , &c. follow. δ ; as E. voiced th in thou, i. e. as (dh). ζ ; as E. z. θ ; as E. th in thin; (th). κ ; as E. k; but slightly palatalised if ϵ , η , &c. follow. λ : as E. l; but nearly as Span. ll (ly), if ι , η , v, $\epsilon\iota$, $o\iota$, $v\iota$ follow. μ ; as E. m. v; as E. n; but as Span. \tilde{n} (ny), if ι , η , v, &c. follow. ξ ; as E. x; but $\gamma \xi$ (= $v\xi$) as E. ngz. π ; as E. p; but as E. δ after μ . ρ ; as r, but always trilled. σ ; as E. voiceless s (s); but as s before s as E. s; but as s before s as E. s; but as s but a

It will thus be seen that the palatal vowels ϵ , ι , η , υ , greatly affect the preceding consonant in many cases. This is doubtless modern.

The change of the sound of η to (ii) has its counterpart in English: we write *meet*, but we say (miit).

- § 256. Accentuation. It is usual, in printing and writing Greek, to mark each word with an appropriate accent. As a boy at school, and afterwards as a student at college, I had to do this, when writing exercises and themes. But on no occasion was the slightest hint ever given me, as to what the accents meant; and this want of instruction was the more puzzling, because I was taught, as other boys are, never to pay the slightest attention to them when reading Greek aloud. But, I have since learnt that the accents were intended to mark the syllables that were accented in pronunciation, and, in modern Greek, are duly regarded. It must be noted, But that the modern Greek accent is one of stress, as in English, whereas, in classical Greek, it was one of pitch, and is difficult to reproduce.
- § 257. The account of the modern Greek accents in. Geldart's *Guide to Modern Greek* is so full of instruction that I do not hesitate to copy it. I alter, however, his mode of giving the pronunciation, by employing the 'broad romic' symbols, as throughout the present volume.
- 'With the exception of the following words:— δ , $\dot{\eta}$, oi, ai (ao, ii, ii, è), the '; ϵi , (ii), if; $\dot{\omega}s$ (aos), as; oi, oik, oik, oik (uu, uuk, uukh), not; $\dot{\epsilon}\kappa$, $\dot{\epsilon}\xi$ (ek, ex), out of, all words in Greek are accented.
 - 'The accents are three in kind:-
- '(a) The acute, $\partial \xi \hat{\epsilon} \hat{\iota} a$ (aoksii'a), which indicates that the syllable so marked has the principal stress—a stress which is given much as in English, but usually with a more distinct elevation in tone ². [Ex. $\phi \hat{\iota} \lambda o s$ (phii'laos), dear.]
- '(b) The grave, $\beta a \rho \epsilon \hat{a} a$ (varii'a), which indicates that the syllable has a more decided stress than any unaccented

¹ Remember that the rough breathing is lost in the modern pronunciation.

² I believe this elevation of tone was very marked in classical Greek, in which the accent was rather one of pitch than of stress.

syllable, yet less than one which has the acute accent [Ex. χορὸς (khaorao·s), a dance.]

- (c) The circumflex, περισπωμένη (paeriispaome··nii), in practice no longer distinguishable from the acute, though in theory and origin it is composed of the acute and the grave. It was held by the ancient Greek grammarians that every unaccented syllable had in reality the grave accent; consequently a word like ἀγαπάει (aghapaa··ii), he loves, might be regarded as if written ἀγὰπάει. When ἀγαπάει was contracted to ἀγαπᾶ, the accents ' were supposed to coalesce, and form a kind of musical wave or transition from a higher to a lower key. Hence arose the circumflex, first written ', and afterwards in cursive manuscript rounded into '. It may be assumed that so long as the ι subscriptum was heard in ἀγαπᾶ, so long would the grave accent be heard; and then, when this was no longer audible, only the acute would be so ².
- § 258. 'The acute accent may stand over either of the two last syllables but one in a word, or on the last syllable when it comes at the end of a sentence or clause; or over a monosyllable interrogative, as τl_s , τl .

'The grave accent can only stand over the last syllable of a word, or over monosyllables, as τὸ μικρὸν πτηνὸν ἄδει, the little bird sings. At the end of a clause or sentence the grave becomes acute, as ἄδει τὸ μικρὸν πτηνόν, or ἄδει τὸ πτηνὸν τὸ μικρόν. In writing, the acute is frequently used in place of the grave.

'The circumflex accent, from the nature of the case, cannot stand further back than the last syllable but one; ... such a form as $\hat{\eta}\mu\epsilon\theta a$ would presuppose $\xi\epsilon\mu\epsilon\theta a$, which is impossible. In the case of an accented diphthong, the accent like the breathing goes with the last [i. e. latter] vowel, and in case of

¹ Compare the secondary accent in English in such a word as ∂da mántine, where δ shows the primary, and δ the secondary accent.

² As a circumflex marks a contraction, the vowel-sound over which it stands is always long, and frequently diphthongal.

an initial diphthong is written, if a grave or acute, after, if a circumflex, over the breathing; as $a\tilde{v}r\eta$, $a\tilde{l}\mu a$, $a\hat{l}$, $o\tilde{l}vos$, $\pi o\hat{v}$, $\pi a\hat{l}$, $a\tilde{l}va\hat{l}$. The relative position of the accent and breathing is the same in the case of the simple vowel, as $a\tilde{l}v$, $a\tilde{l$

§ 259. It may easily be guessed that Mr. Geldart urges, in his Preface, that, in reading Greek, the accents should be fully regarded. As he well observes, 'let a man be accustomed from the first never to pronounce a single Greek word without its appropriate accent, and he will never be in doubt how to write it, or "hardly ever"; the cases where he might hesitate between a circumflex and an acute being very soon mastered when not only the ear, but the eye and ear together are exercised by writing and reading aloud with due regard to the accent'.

I will just observe, further, that accent has nothing to do with vowel-length. Indeed, we do not greatly regard the vowel-length ourselves when we wrongly accent such a word as ἐτῶν, 'of years,' on the former syllable. Yet I suspect it is partly on account of the ω that we wrongly accent ἀνθρώπος on the long second syllable in our pronunciation, though we really take care to write it $\tilde{a}\nu\theta\rho\omega\pi\sigma\sigma$ s. Let the reader pronounce this word as written, i. e. as (aan throopos), by way of experiment, and he will, for once, be somewhere near the truth, and a modern Greek, who says (aan thraopaos) might make shift to understand him. And, by the time that he has tried this experiment once or twice, he will have had his attention called to the accent in so striking a manner, that he will remember how to accent this word in writing for the rest of his life; and it is universally admitted, that to write the accent correctly is meritorious.

§ 260. Transliteration. Gk. v = L. y. It has been ex-

plained, in § 251, that the Gk. v was written y in Latin. Examples of E. y from Gk. v are consequently numerous; I may instance these: amethyst, anonymous, asphyxia, asymptote, barytone, Caryatides, cataclysm, chrysalis, colocynth, cotyledon, cryptogamia, cyst, &c., all formed from the Greek directly. Others were borrowed from the Latin less directly, as: abyss, asylum, bryony, chalybeate, chrysolite, chyme, crypt, cynic, cynosure, &c.; and others, still less directly, through the French, as: crystal, cycle, cylinder, cymbal, cypress, &c. As such words are numerous, these examples may suffice.

In the case of *ligure*, L. *ligurius*, Gk. $\lambda \iota \gamma \iota \rho \iota \sigma \nu$, the name of a precious stone, the Gk. ν remains. But the word is only known from the Septuagint version of the Bible; and other spellings, as $\lambda \iota \gamma \gamma \sigma \iota \rho \iota \sigma \nu$, occur. So also *cube*, L. *cubus*, Gk. $\kappa \iota \beta \sigma s$.

Gk. ai = Lat. ae, F. e. Examples occur in æsthetic, aphæresis, archæolog y, pædobaptist, palæography, &c. And, not uncommonly, the æ becomes \bar{e} ; as in demon, ether, hematite, meander, phenomenon; anapest as well as anapæst, peony as well as pæony, &c. In heresy, heretic, the E. accent has shortened the \bar{e} .

Gk. $\epsilon = L$. $\bar{\imath}$; rarely $\bar{\epsilon}$. Exx. chirography, empiric, irony, pirate, Siren (not Syren). But ϵ in panacea.

Gk. o=L. x, F. e; E. x, e. Exx. cxnobite (cenobite), diarrhxa, homxopathy, onomatopxia. But e is commoner, as in cemetery, economy, epicene, esophagus, phenix, solecism. It appears as o in diocese.

Gk. ov=L. \bar{u} ; the E. u is sometimes short. Exx. butter, bucolic, colure, ecumenical, enthusiasm, epicure, eunuch, liturgy, metallurgy, muse, museum, theurgy, utopian. So also in chirurgeon, surgeon. But o occurs for u in mosaic, F. mosaïque.

Gk. $\bar{\eta} = L$. \bar{e} ; but the E. e is often short. Exx. catalepsy, catastrophe, catechise, category, comet, epidemic, panegyric, parallel, etc. Spelt ee in spleen. It has become ea in

treacle, zeal; and the sound is shortened in zealous, jealous, treasure; all of these came to us through French.

Gk. $\omega = L$. \bar{o} ; but the E. o is usually short. Exx. axiom, carotid, chromatic, euphony, theorem, theory.

Gk. $\varphi = L$. \bar{o} . E. ode, epode, palinode; but changed to e in comedy, tragedy; O. F. comedie, tragedie. The E. oo in oolite answers to Gk. ω_0 ; and the oo in zoology to Gk. φ_0 ; hence the oo is here o-o, not as oo in pool.

Gk. o (unaccented)=L. \check{u} . It has been already explained that Gk. o (unaccented) became L. \check{u} , especially in suffixes; as in exodus, emporium. This explains the change from o to u in numismatic; for though the Gk. accent was on the o in $v\acute{o}\mu \iota \sigma \mu a$, it was on the u in the Latin adaptation of it; hence $n \check{u} m \acute{s} m a$.

Consonants. Gk. $\kappa = L$. c. Exx. catechise, decagon, etc. Also, with c = (s); as in centre, citron.

Gk. β (initial)=L. rh. Exx. rhapsody, rhetoric, rheum, rhinoceros, rhododendron, rhombus, rhubarb, rhythm. But rhumb is also rumb.

Gk. θ =L. th, t; O.F. t. Exx. theorem, thesis, etc.; anathema, bathos, etc. But as t in tansy, treacle, treasure, tunny; and pronounced as t in thyme. The th has been restored in mod. E. theatre, theme, throne; the M. E. forms are teatre, teme, trone.

Gk. $\phi = L$. ph; O. F. f. On the one hand, we have phantasy, phrenology; on the other, fancy, frantic, frenzy.

Gk. $\chi=L$. ch; pronounced as (k), even before e and i. Exx. bronchial, chaos, chemist, technical, oligarch.

Numerous other changes occur, such as the change of κ to ch in chair, of β to v in canvas, etc.; the loss of θ in chair, of initial \hat{v} in dropsy, etc.; but these belong to the history of the phonetics of Anglo-French, French, and Middle-English, and have been already touched upon.

§ 261. The E. words of Greek origin are nearly all substantives and adjectives, the exceptions being very few. Of

course many of these, as anchor, pirate, etc. can be used as verbs, in our English fashion; but the true verbs are rare. We should further set aside such verbs as gloze, from M.E. glose, sb.; prophesy, from prophecy, sb.; and a few more. Others, as sap, to undermine, scarify, strangle, are really founded upon Gk. substantives: and the same is true of the hybrid words contrive, retrieve, intoxicate. I can hardly call to mind any true verbs except baptize, βαπτίζειν; and govern, gubernare, from κυβερνάν; both of which are but secondary formations from more primitive forms. Hence there is no necessity, as in the case of Latin, to consider here the principal parts of verbal conjugation. Nevertheless, the principles of vowelgradation, as explained in brief in § 107, and illustrated in § 108, are of great importance, especially in ascertaining primitive forms. But I refer the reader to what is there said, and to the books that treat specially of the subject.

§ 262. Combination of consonants. The general values of the consonants, in relation to other languages, are given in the Table in vol. i. § 107, p. 125; with numerous illustrations in the following sections.

As in the case of Latin (§ 199), the mode in which Greek consonants are affected when used in combination requires careful attention. I refer the reader to Brugmann's Grammatik, Iwan Müller's Handbuch der klassischen Altertums-Wissenschaft, II. (Nördlingen, 1885), the translation of Curtius' Greek Etymology by Wilkins and England, King and Cookson's Sounds and Inflexions, &c.

I shall here throw together a few useful notes; cf. King and Cookson, p. 192.

As in all other languages, difficult combinations pass into easier ones.

The following seem to have been graphic changes only, not affecting the pronunciation; $\kappa\theta > \chi\theta$; $\pi\theta > \phi\theta$.

The following are useful formulæ.

 $\gamma \tau$, $\chi \tau > \kappa \tau$. $\phi \tau > \pi \tau$. $\delta \tau$, $\theta \tau$, $\tau \tau > \sigma \tau$.

 $\delta\theta$, $\theta\theta > \sigma\theta$. $\kappa\delta > \gamma\delta$. $\pi\delta$, $\phi\delta > \beta\delta$.

 $\beta\mu$, $\pi\mu$, $\phi\mu > \mu\mu$. $\kappa\mu > \gamma\mu$. $\nu\pi > \mu\pi$. $\nu\phi > \mu\phi$.

As in other languages, voiceless letters become voiced before a voiced letter, and conversely, which at once explains the changes denoted by $\kappa\delta > \gamma\delta$, $\pi\delta > \beta\delta$, $\gamma\tau > \kappa\tau$, and the like.

Exx. λέγ-ειν, to speak; whence E. dia-lec-t, ec-lec-tic. E. stalag-mite, allied to stalac-tite. ἔχ-ειν, to hold; whence E. hec-tic, Hec-tor. βαφ-ή, a dipping, βάπ-τω, I dip; E. baptize. γλύφ-ω, I carve; E. glyp-tic. ἰδ-εῖν, to see, ἴσ-τωρ, knowing, a witness; E. history. μαδ-άειν, to be moist, μασ-τός, breast; E. masto-don. πείθ-ω, 3 perf. pass. πέ-πεισ-ται; πατ-έομαι, 3 perf. pass. πέ-πασ-ται. ψεύδ-ομαι, ἐ-ψεύσ-θην; πείθ-ω, ἐ-πείσ-θην. πλίκ-ω, πλέγ-δην. κρύπ-τω, κρύβ-δην; γράφ-ω, ἐπιγράβ-δην. τρίβ-ω, τρίμ-μα. ὄψομαι=ὅπ-σομαι, I shall see; whence ὅμ-μα (for ὅπ-μα), the eye. γράφ-ω, I write; γράμ-μα, a letter; cf. E. graph-ic with gram-mar, ana-gram, dia-gram, epi-gram, etc. δοκ-έω, I am of opinion; δόγ-μα, an opinion, dogma. ἐν, in, becomes ἐμ- in em-piric, em-porium, em-pyrean; also in emphatic, em-phasis.

Even a combination of two voiceless consonants may become voiced; thus from $\epsilon \pi \tau \acute{a}$, seven, we have $\epsilon \beta \delta o \mu \acute{a} \delta$ (stem $\epsilon \beta \delta o \mu \acute{a} \delta$ -), a week; E. hebdomadal. From $\delta \kappa \tau \acute{\omega}$, eight, we have $\delta \gamma \delta o o s$, eighth.

κ, τ, π become χ , θ , ϕ , when an aspirate follows; exx. $i\pi\delta$, under, $i\nu$, one, E. hyphen; $i\pi-\delta$, off, appears in E. aphæresis, aphelion, aphorism; κρύπ-τειν (base κρυπ), to hide, gives E. apo-crypha; κατ-ά, down, according to, appears in cath-edral, cath-olic; $i\pi i$, for, appears in E. eph-emeral; and compare the $\pi\tau$ in optics with the phth in ophthalmia.

§ 263. Combinations with y. The traces of the existence in Greek of the sound of a consonantal ι , which I shall here denote by the E. symbol y, are clearly marked, and many changes in the forms of words can be thus explained. I shall only give here a few ex-

amples of the commoner formulæ, which may be thus expressed.

- (a) $\lambda y > \lambda \lambda$. τy , θy , κy , $\chi y > \sigma \sigma$ ($\tau \tau$). γy , $\delta y > \zeta$.
- (b) Also: $\nu y > \iota \nu$. $\rho y > \iota \rho$.

I shall give examples of (a) and (b) separately.

§ 264. (a) Gk. * ἄλ-yos (=Lat. al-ius) > ἄλλοs; hence E. allopathy, parallel. In the same way βόλλω stands for orig. * $\beta a \lambda - y \omega$, so that the true stem contains but one λ ; cf. $\beta \epsilon \lambda$ -os, a dart, βολ-ή, a throw, E. parabola, hyperbola, belemnite, balustrade. The suffix $-y\omega$, for verbs, is common in all the Aryan languages; cf. Lat. sal-io, cup-io, A. S. infin. luf-ian, hat-ian, and all the verbs of the 4th conjugation in Skt., which form the base by affixing ya to the root. So also we have Gk. σκέλ-λω, I dry, for *σκελ-νω; whence E. skel-eton. Gk. στέλ-λω, I place, for *στέλ-νω, with base στέλ-, middle grade στολ-; whence E. dia-stol-e, sy-stol-e, also apostle, epistle. Gk. ψάλ-λω, I play the harp, for *ψάλ-νω; hence E. psal-m, psaltery. $\tau y > \sigma \sigma$; $\mu \in \lambda_i$, stem $\mu \in \lambda_i \tau$, honey; * $\mu \in \lambda_i \tau$ - $\nu = \lambda_i$, $\mu \in \lambda_i \tau$ honey-maker, bee. $\theta y > \sigma \sigma$; * $\mu \epsilon \theta$ -yos (Skt. $m \acute{a} dh y a$), middle. Æolic μέσσος, weakened in Attic Gk. to μέσος; whence E. mes-entery. $\kappa y > \sigma \sigma$; *πράκ-yω, πράσσω, I do; Ε. practice, prac-tical; the κ becomes γ (regularly) before μ ; hence E. prag-matic. *τάκ-yω, τάσσω, I set in order; hence E. tac-tics, architect, taxidermy (from τάξις=τάκ-σις). * πλήκyω, πλήσσω, I strike; hence E. apo-plexy, apo-plec-tic. yω, σάττω, I fasten on a burden; whence *σάκ-μa > σάγ-μa, a pack-saddle (stem σάγματ-), whence Low Lat. *sagmat-arius, O. F. sommetier, a pack-horse driver, E. sumpter, the same, as used in K. Lear, ii. 4. 219. $\chi y > \sigma \sigma$. Gk. $\gamma \lambda \hat{\omega} \sigma - \sigma a$, tongue, whence E. gloss, gloze, stands for γλωχ-ya, being allied to γλωχ-is, the end of a strap, the point of an arrow; cf. our phrase 'the tongue of a strap.' $\gamma y = \xi$; $\rho \in \gamma$ -os, a dyed rug; from $\rho \dot{\epsilon} \zeta \omega = \rho \dot{\epsilon} \gamma - y \omega$, I dye. $\delta y = \zeta$; $\phi \rho \dot{\alpha} \zeta \omega$, I speak, is for * $\phi \rho \acute{a}\delta - y\omega$, the stem $\phi \rho a\delta$ - appearing in $\acute{\epsilon}\pi \acute{\epsilon}$ - $\phi \rho a\delta$ - $a\nu$, $\pi \acute{\epsilon}$ - $\phi \rho a\delta$ - ϵ , and in φραδ-ή, understanding; cf. E. phrase. So too εζ-ομαι, I sit, for $\tilde{\epsilon}\delta$ -yoμαι; cf. $\tilde{\epsilon}\delta$ -os, a seat; E. cathedral, polyhedron. $\tilde{\rho}i\zeta a$, a root, for $^*F\rho i\delta$ -ya, allied to E. wort. $\sigma \chi i\zeta \omega$, I cleave, for $^*\sigma \chi i\delta$ -y ω , perhaps allied to L. sci(n)do; hence $\sigma \chi i\sigma$ -μα, for $^*\sigma \chi i\delta$ -μα, a rent, E. schism; $\sigma \chi i\sigma$ -τοs, for $^*\sigma \chi i\delta$ -τοs, easily cleft, E. schist; $\sigma \kappa i\lambda$ -λα, for $^*\sigma \kappa i\delta$ -λα, a squill, from its easily splitting into scales.

§ 265. (b) vy > iv. Gk.* $\phi av - y\omega$, I appear, became $\phi aiv\omega$; the fact that ϕav is the true base is proved by other parts of the verb, as fut. $\phi av - o\hat{v}\mu a\iota$, $\phi av - \acute{\eta}\sigma a\mu a\iota$, I aor. pass. $\grave{\epsilon} - \phi \acute{a}v - \theta \eta v$, 3 perf. sing. $\pi \acute{\epsilon} - \phi av - \tau a\iota$, &c. and by derivatives; cf. E. phantasm, phan-tom, dia-phan-ous, epi-phan-y; fan-cy, fan-tasy, fan-tastic; the $a\iota$ ($> \bar{\epsilon}$) is preserved in phenomenon. Gk. $\mu av - ia$, E. mania, is allied to $\mu aiv - o\mu a\iota = *\mu \acute{a}v - yo\mu a\iota$, I am mad; cf. $\mu \acute{a}v - \tau \iota s$, a seer. Gk. $\tau \acute{e}iv - \omega = *\tau \acute{e}v - y\omega$, I stretch; the middle grade of $\tau \acute{e}v - is$ $\tau ov -$, whence E. ton-ic, tone, dia-tonic; the same root appears in Lat. ten-ere, to hold; cf. E. ten-acious, ten-ement. Cf. $\mu \acute{e}\lambda av av av for *\mu \acute{e}\lambda av - ya$, fem. of $\mu \acute{e}\lambda as$ (base $\mu \acute{e}\lambda av - y$), black; E. melan-choly.

ρy>ιρ. ἀγείρω, I assemble, for *ἀ-γέρ-νω; allied to ἀ-γορ-ά, a market, ἄ-γυρ-ιs, an assembly, παν-ή-γυρ-ιs, a full assembly; whence E. pan-e-gyr-ic. κείρω, I shear, for *κέρ-νω, has lost an initial σ ; originally * σ κέρ-νω, cognate with A.S. scer-an, to shear. χαίρω, I rejoice, for * χ άρ-νω; the true base appears in E. eu-char-ist; from the same verb we have E. chervil.

 $\pi\epsilon\rho$ -áω, I pass through, allied to * $\pi\epsilon\rho$ -ya, i.e. $\pi\epsilon\hat{i}\rho a$, an attempt, trial, ex-per-ience (from Lat. experiri, to try); cf. L. per-iculum, E. per-il; from the Gk. $\pi\epsilon\iota\rho a\tau\hat{\eta}s$, one who attempts or attacks ships, we have E. pir-ate. $\sigma\epsilon\iota\rho\hat{a}$, a rope, string, for * $\sigma\epsilon\rho$ -yá; allied to L. ser-ies.

The treatment of the consonantal v, which I shall here denote by w, is similar to this. Thus Lat. ner-uus (= ner-vus), whence E. nerve, is precisely Gk. *veρ-vuo>vevρ-ρov, a nerve; whence E. neuralgia, an affection of the nerves. Gk. τavρos, a bull, answers to an older form τάρ-wos, the

precise equivalent of O. Irish tarb, a bull; the L. taurus is merely borrowed from Greek.

- § 266. Many other peculiarities of Greek might be noticed, but I only give such notes as are most often required, and I desire rather to stimulate the reader than to satisfy him. Of course the language, like all others, requires a special and exhaustive treatment. I add a few more observations, by way of conclusion.
- τ. Greek is fond of vowel-endings, and allows of no final consonants except ν , ρ , ν , ξ , with a few rare exceptions, such as $\epsilon \kappa$. The ξ is really included in the mention of σ , as it is a compound letter, for γs , κs , or χs . There are several examples of it even in English words borrowed from Greek, viz. anthrax, a carbuncle, Gk. ἄνθραξ, a burning coal; calyx, climax, helix, larynx, lynx, onyx, phalanx, pharanx, phlox, phænix, sardonyx, sphinx, storax, styx, thorax. Hence final consonants are often lost, as in *μέλιτ-, honey, nom. μέλι; γύναι, for *γυναικ, vocative of γυναικ-, stem of γυνή, woman; πρᾶγμα, deed, for *πραγματ, gen. πράγματοs. The stem of a sb. is to be got from its genitive case rather than from the nominative.
- 2. Initial s is regularly represented merely by the rough breathing, though it is retained in Latin; as in $\xi \xi$, L. sex; $\xi n \tau a$, L. septem; δs , L. sus; $\eta \mu \nu$, L. semi-; $\xi \zeta \mu \mu \nu$, L. semi-; $\xi \zeta \mu \mu \nu$, L. semi-; $\xi \zeta \mu \mu \nu$, Septimus; heptarchy, Septimus; hemi-sow (from A. S. sugu); hemi-stich semi-quaver; poly-hedron, sedentary. Traces of a similar change occur in Persian, which has haft for 'seven'; and in Welsh, which has hen for 'old' (cf. L. senex), halen, 'salt.'
- 3. The w (f), lost in Gk., is retained in Latin. Cf. $\epsilon \sigma \theta \eta s$, garment, L. uestis; so that $\epsilon \sigma \theta \eta s$ stands for $f \epsilon \sigma \theta \eta s$. So also $f \epsilon \sigma \pi \epsilon \rho \sigma s$, L. uesper (E. Hesperus, vesper); $f \epsilon \alpha \rho$, spring, L. $u\bar{e}r$; $f \circ i \kappa \sigma s$, L. $u\bar{i} cus$ (cf. E. di ocese, di ocese, vicinity); $f \epsilon \lambda i \sigma \sigma s$, allied to L. uoluo (cf. E. helix, volute, volume); $f \epsilon \pi \sigma s$, allied to L. uox (cf. E. epic, voice); $f \circ i \delta \epsilon i v$, whence $f \circ i \sigma \tau \omega \rho$,

Fιστορία, allied to L. uidere, A. S. witan (cf. E. history, vision, wit); Fοῦνος, L. uinum; Fορ-άω, L. uer-eor, allied to A. S. wær, wary (cf. E. di-or-ama, war-y); Fίο-ν, L. uio-la (cf. E. io-dine, vio-let). Thus f is mostly represented by the smooth breathing, but sometimes by the rough. This loss of w in Greek much obscures the relationship of words; it is not obvious that diocese is from the same root as vicinity, or that helix is co-radicate with volume. It is striking to find that the missing w of Gk. wéργ-ον is still preserved in E. work, G. Werk. Cf. Homer, Il. ii. 338:—

νηπιάχοις, οίς οὔτε μέλει πολεμήϊα Γέργα.

- 4. Sw at the beginning of a word appears as h only. Thus E. sweet, L. suauis (for *suad-uis), is cognate with Gk. * $\sigma F \eta \delta$ - $\acute{\nu}s$, which became $\acute{\eta}\delta \acute{\nu}s$; E. sweat, A. S. swát (for *swait), L. sūdor (for *swid-or), is cognate with * $\sigma F \iota \delta$ - $\rho \acute{\nu}s$, i. e. $\iota \delta \rho \acute{\nu}s$.
- 5. **Prothesis**. Greek sometimes prefixes an unoriginal vowel to a word, chiefly before λ , ρ , μ , or a combination of consonants. Exx. E. red, L. rub-er, cognate with Gk. $\hat{\epsilon}$ - $\rho\nu\theta\rho\delta s$; E. light, L. leuis, cognate with Gk. $\hat{\epsilon}$ - $\lambda\alpha\chi\nu s$; E. milk, v., L. mulcere, cognate with Gk. $\hat{\epsilon}$ - $\mu\epsilon\lambda\gamma\omega$; E. brow, cognate with Gk. $\hat{\epsilon}$ - $\phi\rho\nu s$. There is every reason to believe that it was also prefixed to some words that began with f(w), as * $\ddot{\epsilon}$ - $f\epsilon\theta$ - $\lambda\nu$, the prize of a contest, cognate with E. wed; usual form $\ddot{\epsilon}$ e $\theta\lambda\nu\nu$.
- 6. Of the instances of vowel-gradation, that of the interchange of ϵ and o is the most marked; and, as there are some curious results from it in English, I make a note of them.

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βέλ-os—βολ-ή; bel-emnite, para-bol-a. γέν-os—γον-ή; Gen-esis, cosmo-gon-y. ξργ-ον—δργ-ανον; en-erg-y, org-an. ξχ-α—επ-οχ-ή; hec-tic, ep-och. λέγ-α—λόγ-os; ec-lec-tic, log-ic, bio-log-y.
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νέκ-ειν--νομ-ός, νόμ-ος ; nem-esis, nom-ad, eco-nom-y.

σκέπ-τομαι—σκοπ-ός; scep-tic, tele-scope.

 $\sigma \pi \epsilon i \rho \omega = \sigma \pi \epsilon \rho - \gamma \omega - \sigma \pi \delta \rho - \sigma s$; sper-m, spore, spor-adic.

στελ-λω—στολ-ή; stole, dia-stol-e, sy-stol-e, epi-stol-ary, apostol-ic.

στρέφ-ω—στροφ-ή; Streph-on, stroph-e.

τέμ-νω—τομ-ός; tome, a-tom, ana-tom-y, epi-tom-e, en-tom-olog y.

τρέπ-ω—τρόπ-οs; trope, trop-ic.

φέρ-ω-φόρ-os; Christo-pher, dia-phor-etic, phos-phor-us.

φθέγγ-ομαι—φθογγ-ός; di-phthong.

φλέγ-ω—φλόξ; phleg-matic, phlox.

CHAPTER XVIII.

PREFIXES AND SUFFIXES.

§ 267. The chief Prefixes of English origin are given in vol. i. ch. xii. pp. 213-8. A full list of all the prefixes used in English is given in the Appendix to my Etym. Dict. in both editions; but it may be useful to make a note here of the chief prefixes of Latin and Greek origin, and of the forms which they assume in English.

Note that the numerous variations in the form of a prefix are commonly due to the letter which succeeds it.

A-, from various sources (besides those of E. origin).

L. ab-, F. a-; as in a-chieve; see Ad-.

L. a-; as in a-vert; see **Ab**-.

L. e-, F. a-; as in a-mend; see Ex- (1).

L. ah, interj., O. F. a; as in a-las!

Gk. \hat{a} -; as in a-byss; see **An**-(2).

Arab. al, a-; as in a-pricot; see Al- (3).

The word a-vast seems to be a worn down form of Du. hou'vast (for houd vast), i. e. 'hold fast.'

Ab-(1), A-, Adv-, Av-, V-. L. ab, off, from; as in ab-dicate, ab-undance, the latter being French. Lengthened to abs- in abs-cond; with which cf. Gk. $a\psi$, away, back. Cognate with E. of, Gk. $a\pi b$, Skt. apa, away from; see Apo-. This prefix also appears as a-, adv- (for av-), av-, v-; exx. a-vert, adv-ance, av-aunt, v-anguard.

Ab-(2). Put for L. ad-; in ab-breviate; see Ad-.

Abs-; see Ab-(1). Ac-; see Ad-.

Ad-, A-, Ab- (2), Ac-, Af-, Ag-, Al- (1), An- (1), Ar-, As-, At-. L. ad, to, for; as in ad-apt, ad-dress, the latter being French. Cognate with E. at. It appears as a-, ab-, ac-, ad-, af-, ag-, al-, an-, ap-, ar-, as-, at-; exx. a-chieve, ab-breviate, ac-cede, ad-mire, af-fix, ag-gress, al-lude, an-nex, ap-pend, arrogate, as-sign, at-tract.

Adv-; see Ab-(1). Ac-, Af-, Ag-, Al-(1); see Ad-.

Al- (2). Span. el, the; from L. ille, he, that. Only in al-ligator, for Span. el-lagarto, the lizard. See L- (2).

Al- (3), A-, Ar-, As-, El-, L-. Arab. al, the def. art.; as in al-cohol, al-kali, &c. Also found as a-, ar-, as-, el-, l-; as in a-pricot, ar-tichoke, as-sagai, el-ixir, l-ute.

Am-(1); in am-bush. For F. em-, from L. im-, for in; see In-(2).

Am-(2); in am-brosia. Gk. $a\mu$ -, for $d\nu$ -; see An-(2).

Ambi-, Amb-; as in ambi-dextrous, amb-ition. L. ambi-, amb-, on both sides, around (also used in French.) Cognate with Gk. $d\mu\phi i$; see below.

Amphi-; as in *amphi-theatre*. Gk. $d\mu\phi i$, on both sides, around; cognate with L. *ambi*-(above).

An-(1); see Ad-. An-(3); see Ana-.

An- (2), A-, Am-, negative prefix. Gk. $d\nu$ -, d-, negative prefix; also $d\mu$ -; as in an-asthetic, a-byss, am-brosial. Cognate with L. in-, E. un-; see In- (3).

An- (4); as in *an-oint*. For F. en-, L. in; see **In-** (2).

An- (6); as in an-cestor. F. an-, for L. ante; see Ante-.

Ana-, An- (3); as in ana-gram, an-eurism. Gk. dvá, dv-, upon, on, up. Cognate with E. on.

Ante-, Anti-, Anci-, An-; as in ante-cedent, anti-cipate, anci-ent, an-cestor. L. ante, before; L. anti-; F. anci-, an-.

Anti-, Ant-, Anth-; as in anti-dote, ant-agonist, anth-em. Gk. dvri, against, opposite to; cognate with A.S. and- in and-swerian, E. an- in an-swer. (Anthem is a late form for M.E. ant-em).

Ap-, Ar- (1), As- (1), At-; see Ad-.

Apo-, Aph-; as in apo-cope, aph-æresis. Gk. ἀπό, ἀφ-, off, from. Cognate with L. ab.

Ar- (2), As- (2); as in ar-tichoke, as-sagai; see Al- (3).

Archi-, Arche-, Arch-; as in archi-tect, arche-type, archangel. Gk. ἀρχί-, ἀρχί-, ἀρχ-, chief; cf. ἄρχεῖν, to be first. (The arch- in arch-bishop, is A. S. arce-, from L. archi-, from the same).

Auto-, Auth-, self; as in auto-maton, auth-entic. Gk. aὐτό-s, self; aὐθ- (before a rough breathing). Hence eff- in eff-endi.

Av-; as in av-aunt. F. av-, from L. ab; see Ab-(1).

Bi-, double (whence **Ba-** in *ba-lance*). L. *bi-*, double, from an earlier form dui-, related to duo, two. Cognate with Gk. $\delta\iota$ -; see **Di-** (1).

Bin-; as in bin-ocular. L. bin-i, a distributive form allied to bi-, double (above).

Bis-; as in *bis-cuit*. F. *bis*, from L. *bis*, twice; allied to bi-, double (above); see also **Dis-**.

Cata-, Cat-, Cath-; as in cata-ract, cat-echism, cath-olic. Gk. κατά, down, downwards.

Circum-, Circu-, round. L. circum, around; prep. Hence circu- in circu-it.

Com-, Co-, Col-, Con-, Cor-, Coun-, Cu-, Cur-; as in com-mute, co-agulate, col-lect, con-nect, cor-rect, coun-cil; and as co- in co-uch, co-st; as cu- in cu-stom; and as cur- in cur-ry (to dress leather). L. com-, together, used in composition for cum, together. Allied to Gk. $\sigma\acute{v}v$, together; see Syn-.

In the word *com-bustion*, the derivation is from a form *burere, rather than urere.

Contra-, Contro-, Contr-, Counter-, as in contra-dict, contro-versy, contr-alto. L. contra, against; whence F. contre, Ital. contra. F. contre appears in contr-ol; but is usually counter-, as in counter-act.

De- (1), Di- (3); as in de-scend, de-bate, the latter being French; and in di-stil. L. de, down, downward; used with

an oppositive force in *de-form*, and with an intensive force in *de-clare*, &c.

De- (2); as in *de-feat*. O. F. *de*- (F. *dé*-), for O. F. *des*-; see **Dis**-.

De-, Dea-; as in de-vil, dea-con; see Dia-.

Demi-, half. F. demi, half; from L. acc. dimidium, half. From L. di-, for dis, apart; and medius, middle.

Des-, Di -(2); as in des-cant, di-verge; see Dis-.

Di- (r), double; as in *di-lemma*. Gk. $\delta\iota$ -, double, allied to $\delta\iota$ s, twice, and $\delta\iota$ o, two; see **Bi-**.

Di-(3); as in di-stil. For de-; see De-(1).

Dia-, Di- (4), De-, Dea-; as in dia-bolic, di-æresis, de-vil, dea-con. Gk. διά, through, between, apart. Allied to Di- (1).

Dis-, Des-, De- (2), Di- (2), Dif-, S-. L. dis-, apart, in two, another form of bis, double; dis- and bis are from O. L. duis, double, in two, apart; cognate with Gk. dis; see Bis- and Di-. Hence L. di-, dif-; O.F. des-, de-; M. E. dis-, for O.F. des-. Exx. dis-pel, des-cant, de-feat, di-verge, dif-fuse, s-pend, s-port (for dis-pend, dis-port).

Duo-, Du-, Dou-; as in duo-decimo, du-al, dou-ble. L. duo, two; cognate with E. two; whence O. F. do-, dou-, E. dou- in dou-ble, dou-bt.

Dys-, badly. Gk. δύs, badly, with difficulty; as in dysentery, dys-pepsy.

E- (1), Ef-, Es-; see Ex- (1).

E-(4); as in e-squire. This e- is a F. addition, of purely phonetic value, due to the difficulty experienced in pronouncing initial sc, sq, st, sp. So also in e-scutcheon, e-state, e-special; to which add e-schew.

Ec-, **El-** (1), **Ex-** (2); as in ec-logue, el-lipse, ex-odus. Gk. $\vec{\epsilon}\kappa$, $\vec{\epsilon}\xi$, out, out of. Cognate with L. ex; see **Ex-** (1).

El-(2); as in el-ixir. Arab. el, for al, def. art.

Em-(1), En-(1); as in em-brace, en-close; see In-(2).

Em-(2); as in em-piric; see En-(2).

En-(2); as in *en-ergy*. Gk. $\epsilon \nu$, $\epsilon \mu$ -, in; cognate with L. and E. in; see In-(2). And see above.

En-(3); as in en-emy; neg. prefix; see In-(2).

Endo-; as in *endo-gen*. Gk. $\tilde{\epsilon}\nu\delta\sigma\nu$, $\tilde{\epsilon}\nu\delta\sigma$, within; extended from $\hat{\epsilon}\nu$, in; see En-(2). And see Ind-.

Enter-; as in enter-tain. F. entre; see Inter-.

Epi-, **Ep-**, **Eph-**, as in *epi-gram*, *ep-och*, *eph-emeral*. Gk. $\dot{\epsilon}\pi\dot{l}$, $\dot{\epsilon}\pi$ -, $\dot{\epsilon}\phi$ -, upon, on. Cognate with Skt. *api*; allied to L. *ob*. See **Ob-**.

Es-; as in es-cape; see Ex-(1).

Eso-, within; as in eso-teric. Gk. $\check{\epsilon}\sigma\omega$, within; from $\check{\epsilon}s$, $\epsilon \hat{\epsilon}s$, into.

Eu-, **Ev-**, as in *eu-logy*, *ev-angelist*. Gk. $\epsilon \tilde{v}$, well; neut. of $\dot{\epsilon} \dot{v}s$, good, orig. 'real'; for * $\dot{\epsilon} \sigma \dot{v}s$, from $\sqrt{\epsilon s}$, to be.

Ex- (1), **A-**, **E-**, **Ef-**, **Es-**, **Iss-**, **S-**; as in ex-tend, a-mend, e-normous, ef-fect, es-cape, iss-ue, s-ample. L. ex, e, out of; also used intensively; whence L. ef-; F. a-, es-, iss-; E. s-for es-. Cognate with Gk. $\epsilon \xi$; see **Ec-**.

Ex-(2); as in ex-odus. Gk. $\dot{\epsilon}\xi$, out of; see **Ec-**.

Exo-; as in *exo*-gen. Gk. $\tilde{\epsilon}\xi\omega$, outside, without; adv. from $\hat{\epsilon}\xi$ (above).

Extra-, Stra-; as in extra-vagant, stra-nge. L. extra, without, a comparative abl. form, from L. ex, out; see Ex(1). Compare exter- in exter-ior, exter-nal.

For-; as in for-feit, for-close (sometimes spelt fore-close). F. for-; from L. foris, outside, out, lit. out of doors; cf. L. fores, pl. doors.

Hemi-, Mo-; as in hemi-sphere, me-grim. Gk. $\hat{\eta}\mu$ -, half; cognate with L. semi-. See Semi-.

Hetero-, other; Gk. ἔτερο-s, other.

Holo-, entire; Gk. δλο-s, entire.

Homo-, same; Homœo-, like; Gk. δμό-s, same, cognate with E. same. Hence ὅμοιο-s, like.

Hyper-, above, beyond. Gk. $i\pi\epsilon\rho$, above.

Hypo-, Hyph-, Hyp-; in hypo-crite, hyph-en, hyp-allage-Gk. ὑπό, under. Cognate with L. sub; see Sub-. In- (2), Am-, An-, Em-, En-, II-, Im-, Ir-; as in in-clude, am-bush, an-oint, em-brace, en-close, il-lude, im-mure, ir-ritate. L. in, in; cognate with Gk. èv, E. in. See En- (2). Hence, L. il-, im-, ir-; F. em- (E. am-), F. en- (E. en-, an-).

In- (3), En-, I-, II-, Im-, Ir-; as in *in-firm*, *en-emy*, *i-gnoble*, *il-legal*, *im-mortal*, *ir-regular*. L. *in-*, *i-*, *il-*, *im-*, *ir-*, negative prefix, cognate with Gk. *av-*, E. *un-*; see An- (2). Hence F. *en-*, as in O. F. *en-emi*, enemy.

Ind-; as in ind-igent. O. Lat. end-o, within; cognate with Gk. ĕvδov.

Inter-, Enter-, Entr-, Intel-; as in inter-vene, enter-tain, entr-ails, intel-lect. L. inter, among, between; allied to interior, inter-nus. Hence L. intel-, F. entre- (E. enter-).

Intra-, Intro-, within. L. intra, intro-, within; allied to inter (above).

Ir- (1); see In- (2). Ir- (2); see In- (3). Iss-; see Ex- (1).

Juxta, near. L. iuxta, near.

L-, as in l-ouver. F. l', for le, the; L. ille, he, that.

L-, as in l-ute. For Arab. el, def. art., the. See Al- (3).

Male-, Mali-, Mal-, Mau-, badly; as in male-factor, mali-gn, mal-treat, mau-gre. L. male, badly, ill; O. F. mal, F. mal, mau.

Me-; as in me-grim. For hemi-grim; see Hemi-.

Meta-, Meth-, Met-, among, with, after; also used to denote change; as in *meta-morphose*, *meth-od*, *met-eor*. Gk. $\mu\epsilon\tau\dot{a}$, among, with, after; cognate with A. S. mid, with, as in mid-wife.

Min-; as in min-ster; see Mono-.

Mis-, badly, ill. O. F. mes-, from L. minus, less; used in a depreciatory sense. It occurs in mis-adventure, mis-alliance, mis-chance, mis-chief; and is quite distinct from the E. prefix mis- in misdeed.

Mono-, Mon-, Min-, as in mono-chord, mon-arch, min-ster. Gk. μόνος, single, sole, alone.

Multi-, Mult-, many; as in multi-ply, mult-angular. L. multi-, for multo-, stem of multus, much, many.

Ne-, N-, Neg-; as in ne-farious, ne-uter, n-ull, neg-ation, neg-lect neg-otiate. L. ne, not; whence n-ullus, for ne ullus; also nec, not, becoming neg-, and short for ne-que and not.

Non-, Um-, not; as in non-age. L. non, not; short for ne unum, not one. Hence um- in um-pire, put for num-pire.

Ob-, O-, Oc- Of-, Op-; as in ob-long, o-mit, oc-cur, of-fer, op-press. L. ob, near; allied to Gk. ἐπί, on, near, Skt. api, moreover; see Epi-. The force of ob- is variable. There is also a form os-, probably for obs-; which occurs in ostensible.

Os-; as in os-tensible; see above.

Outr-; as in outr-age. F. outre, beyond, from L. ultra; see Ultra.

Pa-; as in pa-lsy; short for para-; see Para-.

Palin-, Palim-; as in palin-ode, palim-psest. Gk. πάλω, again.

Pan-, Panto-, all. Gk. $\pi \hat{a}\nu$, neut. of $\pi \hat{a}s$, all; $\pi a \nu \tau o$ -, crude form of the same, as in *panto-mime*.

Par-(1); as in par-son. For per-; see Per-.

Para-, Par- (2), Pa-; as in para-bola, par-ody, pa-lsy. Gk. $\pi a \rho \dot{a}$, beside. Allied to E. for, Lat. per; and also to Gk. $\pi \epsilon \rho \dot{l}$. (Distinct from para- in para-chute, para-pet, para-sol, from F. parer.)

Para- (2); in *para-dise*. Zend *pairi*, cognate with Gk. $\pi \epsilon \rho i$; see **Peri-**.

Pen-; in pen-insula. L. paen-e, almost.

Per-, Par-, Pel-, Pil-; as in per-fect, par-son, par-don, pel-lucid, pil-grim. L. per, through; whence L. pel-, F. per-, par-, Ital. and M. E. pel-, E. pil-.

Peri-, around, round. Gk. $\pi\epsilon\rho l$, around; cf. Skt. pari, Zend pairi, round about. See **Para-**(2).

Poly-, many. L. poly-, for Gk. $\pi \circ \lambda \dot{v}$ -, crude form of $\pi \circ \lambda \dot{v}$ s, much.

Por- (1), **Po-**, **Pol-**, **Pos-**; as in por-tend, po-sition, pol-lute, pos-sess. L. por-, of doubtful origin; some connect it with O. L. port, prep. forth, towards, cognate with Gk. $\pi \rho \delta s$, towards, Skt. prati, towards, and E. forth.

Por- (2); as in por-trait; see Pro- (1).

Post-, after. L. post, after. Hence F. puis, appearing as puin pu-ny.

Pre-, Præ-, Pr-(1), Pro-(3); as in pre-fix, præ-tor, pr-ison, pro-vost. L. præ, pre-, before; put for *prai, an old locative case, allied to Pro-(1).

Preter-, beyond. L. *præter*, beyond; compar. from *præ*, before.

Pri-, as in *pri-or*, *pri-me*, *pri-vate*. Lat. *pri-*, *pri-*, before, allied to Pro-, Pre-.

Pro-(1), **Por-**(2), **Pour-**, **Pr-**(2), **Prof-**, **Pur-**; as in pro-found, por-trait, pour-tray, pr-udent, prof-fer, pur-vey. L. prö, before, in front; also $pr\bar{o}$, put for prod, abl. case used as a preposition, which occurs in prod-igal. Allied to Gk. πpo -, before, Skt. pra, before, away, and E. for; see **Pro-**(2). Hence F. por-, pour-, E. pur-, and prof- (for pro-) in prof-fer.

Pro- (2), before. Gk. $\pi\rho\delta$, before; cognate with Pro- (1). Prod-, Prof-; as in *prod-igal*, *prof-fer*; see Pro- (1).

Pros-, in addition to, towards. Gk. $\pi \rho \delta s$, towards.

Proto-, Prot-, first; as in *proto-type*, *prot-oxide*. Gk. $\pi\rho\hat{\omega}\tau os$, first; superl. form of **Pro-** (2).

Pu-; as in pu-ny; see Post-. Pur-; see Pro-(1).

Re-, Red-, R-, Ra-, Ren-, again. L. red-, re-, again; whence F. re-, r-, ra-, ren-. Red- occurs in red-eem, red-ound, red-undant, red-dition; and is changed to ren- in ren-der, ren-t. Re- can be prefixed to E. and Scand. words, as in renew, re-call. It appears as r- in r-ally, and as ra- in ra-gout.

Re- can be prefixed to other prefixes, which sometimes coalesce with it; cf. ra-bbet = re-abut; ram-part = re-em-part. Also in re-ad-apt, re-rol-lect, re-con-cile, re-sur-rection, &c.

Retro-, Rere-, Rear-, backwards, behind. L. retro-, backwards, back again; a compar. form from re-, back; see Re-. Hence O. F. a-rere (L. ad-retro), whence E. rear-guard, rere-ward.

S- (1); as in s-ure; see Se-.

S-(2); as in s-pend, for dis-pend; see Dis-.

S-(3); as in s-ample; F. s-, for L. ex; see Ex-(1).

S-(4); as in s-ombre; from L. sub; see Sub.

Sans-, without. F. sans; from L. sine, without; see Sine-

Se-, Sed-, S-(1), apart. L. se-, apart; O. L. sed, apart, as in sed-ition; lit. 'by oneself.' Hence s- in s-ober, s-ure.

Semi-, half. L. semi-, half; cognate with Gk. $\dot{\eta}\mu i$; see Hemi-.

Sine-, without. L. sine, without. Hence F. sans, without.

So-(1), as in so-journ; see Sub-.

So- (2), as in so-ber. L. $s\bar{o}$ -, by-form of $s\bar{e}$ -, apart; L. $s\bar{o}$ -brius, free from drunkenness; cf. \bar{e} -brius, very drunk.

Sopr-, Sover-; see Super.

Stra-; as in stra-nge; see Extra.

Sub-, S- (4), So-, Su-, Suc-, Suf-, Sug-, Sum-, Sup-, Sur- (1); as in sub-mit, s-ombre, so-journ, su-spect, suc-ceed, suf-fuse, sug-gest, sum-mon, sup-press, sur-rogate. L. sub, under, beneath; (also) up; appearing as sup- in L. sup-inus, whence E. sup-ine. Allied to Hypo-, and to E. up. Hence L. su-, suc-, suf-, sug-, sum-, sup-, sur-; F. s-, so-. See Sus-

Subter-, beneath. L. subter, beneath; compar. form from sub, under; see **Sub-**.

Super-, above; Supra-, beyond; Sover-, Sopr-, Sur-(2). L. super, above; compar. of sub, under, up. Hence suprā, above, orig. abl. feminine. Also found as sover- in sovereign, from the French; and as sopr- in sopr-ano, from the Italian. Also as F. sur- (=L. super); thus sur-face is a doublet of super-ficies.

Sur-(1), in sur-rogate; see Sub-. Sur-(2); see Super-. Sus-, as in sus-pend. L. sus, up; perhaps for *subs, extended form of sub, under; see Sub-.

Syn-, Sy-, Syl-, Sym-; as in syn-onym, sy-stem, syllogism, sym-metry. Gk. σύν, with; also found as συ-, συλ-, συμ-. Allied to L. cum; see Com-.

T-. In t-awdry, put for Sain-t Awdry. In t-auto-logy, t-represents Gk. 76, neut. of the def. article.

Trans-, Tra-, Tran-, Tres-, Tre-(r), beyond; as in trans-late, tra-duce, tra-verse, tran-scend, tres-pass, tre-ason. L. trans, trā-, tran-, beyond; whence F. tres- tra- (E. tre-).

Tri-(r), Tre-(2), thrice; as in tri-ple, tre-ble. L. tri-(F. tre-); allied to tres, three.

Tri- (2), thrice. Gk. $\tau \rho \iota$ -, thrice; allied to $\tau \rho \iota$ - α , neut. of $\tau \rho \epsilon i s$, three. Hence *tri-gonometry*, &c.

Ultra-, Outr-, beyond. L. ultra, beyond; whence F. outre, beyond, E. outr- in outr-age. It is corrupted to utter-in the phrase 'to the utterance,' from F. à l'outrance.

Um-; as in um-pire; see Non-.

Uni-, Un-; as in uni-vocal, un-animous; L. un-us (stem uno->uni-), one. Cognate with E. one.

Utter-, as in utter-ance; see Ultra.

V-; as in v-an. For F. (a)v-, from L. ab; see Ab- (1).

Ve-, apart from. L. ue-, apart from; only in ve-stibule, and (probably) in ve-stige.

Vice-, Vis-, in place of. L. uice, in place of; whence A. F. vis-, as in vis-count.

LATIN AND GREEK SUFFIXES.

§ 268. Suffixes. I do not propose to give here a complete list of suffixes of Latin and Greek origin, on account of the great variety of their forms, especially in words derived from Latin through the French. The reader may consult the account of them in Morris's Historical Outlines of English Accidence; and in Koch's Historische Grammatik, vol. iii.

pt. r, pp. 29-76. A general account of the Aryan Suffixes is given in Schleicher's Compendium, &c., pp. 365-477; but the forms there given require certain alterations, and Schleicher's work is practically superseded by the later and more minute account given in the second volume of Brugmann's Grundriss der Vergleichenden Grammatik der indogermanischen Sprachen, which I now take as my guide. I have already enumerated several of the Aryan suffixes in vol. i. p. 225, on account of their frequent occurrence in Teutonic languages.

As the Latin suffixes are far more important than the Greek, for the special purposes of English etymology, I shall first give a brief account of the principal of these; adding some account of the corresponding Greek suffixes at the end of the chapter.

We constantly find two or three suffixes used in combination; and, in addition to the suffixes in which the consonantal element is fairly well marked, we frequently find vowels, especially long vowels, introduced in connection with them, the presence of which cannot always be easily accounted for. For example, between the root An, to breathe, and the suffix -mo, we find are inserted ϵ in Greek, and $\check{\imath}$ in Latin, as in $\check{a}v - \epsilon - \mu os$, L. an-i-mus. In this case, the introduction of a short vowel assists the pronunciation. Again, between the base ac-t- (composed of the root AG, to drive, and the suffix -to) and the suffix -wo, we find L. $\bar{\imath}$, as in $act-\bar{\imath}$ -nus, active; what, in this case, is the precise reason for the occurrence of long $-\bar{\imath}$ -, I am not able to say. And I have equal difficulty in accounting for the occurrence of other vowels, such as $-\bar{a}$ -, $-\bar{e}$ -, &c., in a great many instances.

Not unfrequently, it is clear that a suffix is added, not to the mere base 1 of a substantive exclusive of its distinguishing

¹ In the Gk. sb. $\theta v - \mu - o - s$, I here define $\theta v \mu - a s$ the *base*, and $\theta v \mu - a s$ the *stem*. Moreover, $\theta v - i s$ the *root*, $-\mu o - i s$ the *suffix*, and -s is the *case-ending*.

final vowel, but to the *stem* or *crude form* of the substantive as occurring in actual declension, or to a modification of it. That is to say, L. *ciuicus* is obtained by adding *-cus* (representing the suffix -ко) to the crude form *ciui-* of *ciui-s*, not to the mere base *ciu-*, in which the final *-i* is not considered. So also L. *bellicus* has taken the place of *bello-cus (as if from bello-, crude form of bellum), either because it seemed to be more convenient, or because it was formed by analogy with such words as *ciuicus*. It is frequently difficult to divide words rightly, and I do not know that I have always done so.

§ 269. It is necessary to know precisely what is meant by a given suffix, such as the Aryan -мо. Of course, derived words were at first due to mere composition, i.e. to combination of words already existing; but, at a later time, new compounds were often formed on the analogy of compounds already in use. It is only for the purpose of analysis that we, conventionally, suppose a suffix to be added to a root, or to a crude form, already containing a suffix, so as to produce a new crude form to which the various case-endings are to be appended. In masculine sbs., the usual nom, suffix is -s, and the crude form is obtained by comparing the nominative with other cases. Thus, by adding -mo to the root DHU, we obtain Gk. $\theta v - \mu \acute{o} - s$, L. fu - mu - s. In this case the L. fu mu s stands for an earlier form *fumos, as we know from the fact that examples of similar early Latin forms actually occur; such as equos. a horse, mortuos, dead, donom, a gift, colomna, a column, &c.; see Roby, Lat. Gr. i. 63. But the substitution of u for o in classical Latin is so universal, that the fact must be continually borne in mind. The suffix -mo is used also for neuter sbs., the only difference being that the nom. case-ending is changed from -s to -m; as in L. po-mu-m, for *po-mo-m, an apple. Corresponding to this masc. and neut, suffix in -mo, there is a fem. suffix in -MÂ, with long \bar{a} , as in Gk. $\phi \dot{\eta}$ - $\mu \eta$, Doric $\phi \dot{a}$ - $\mu \bar{a}$, L. $f\bar{a}$ - $m\bar{a}$ - (as in gen. pl. $fam\bar{a}rum$); but it is characteristic 384 SUFFIXES. [Chap, XVIII.

of Latin that the final $-\bar{a}$ is always shortened to $-\bar{a}$ in the nom. singular, though it was originally long. It must, then, be carefully borne in mind that the employment of the Aryan suffix -mo (fem. -mâ) necessarily relates to Latin masculines in -mus (=*-mo-s), neuters in -mum (=*-mo-m) and feminines in -mā (shortened from -mā). The same is true of all Aryan suffixes ending in -0, such as -wo, -ro, -lo, -ko, etc., including even the simple -0 itself. The Gk. nom. case-endings corresponding to Aryan -mo are, in like manner, - μ 0s for the masculine gender, - μ 0v for the neuter, and - μ 1 for the feminitive; and so in other cases. I shall assume that this is now understood, as it will save a great deal of needless detail in dealing with this rather complex subject.

§ 270. The above remarks apply to Latin sbs. of the second and first declensions. The fifth declension, in -e-s. much resembles the first, with $-\bar{e}$ or $-i\bar{e}$ in place of $-\bar{a}$. In the second declension we also find stems in -Ro, as in acc. agrum, for *ag-ro-m, a field, with a nom. in -er, as ag-er; and stems in -ĕ-Ro, as in acc. pu-eru-m, for *pu-ero-m, a boy, with a nom. in -er, as pu-er; in addition to the stems with a nom. in -us or -um. In the fourth declension, the stems really end in -u (not -o), as is seen by the persistence of that vowel throughout the declension; as in gradu-s, a step, dat. gradu-i, gen. pl. gradu-um (base grad-, stem grad-u). In the third declension, we have two kinds of stems: (1) in -1, and (2) consonantal. Thus we have nub-es, a cloud, gen. nubi-s, gen. pl. nubi-um, stem nubi-; imber, a shower, gen. pl. imbri-um, stem imbr-; lex, law, contracted from *leg-s, gen. leg-is, with a consonantal stem leg-; uox, voice, written for *uoc-s, gen. uoc-is, gen. pl. uoc-um (not uoci-um), with a consonantal stem uoc-; miles (for *milit-s), soldier, stem milit-; margo, margin, stem margin-1; pater, father, stem pater-, patr-; corpus, body,

¹ The stem is really margen-, varying to margen; the latter appears in the nom. marge, short for margen. See Brugmann, Grundriss, ii. 331.

stem corpos-, whence gen. corpor-is, for *corpos-is; op-us, work, gen. oper-is, with a variable stem opes-, opos-; &c.

In compounds formed from verbs, the stem employed is frequently that seen in the past participle, as in amare, to love, pp. amā-tus, whence amā-bilis; monere, to advise, pp. moni-tus, whence moni-mentum (also moni-mentum), a memorial. And the pp. suffix itself is often involved in the compound; as in *uidere*, to see, pp. *uī-su-s*; whence *ui-si-bili-s*, visible, where $u\bar{\imath}s\bar{\imath}$ - stands for * $u\bar{\imath}s\bar{o}$ -, stem of $u\bar{\imath}sus$.

- § 271. I now give a list of the principal suffixes that occur in Latin, reserving illustrations from Greek for a later section. For the sake of clearness, I give only one or two examples in each case; more can easily be found.
- * * I give the Aryan form of the suffix in capital letters, as -MO. In the instances from Latin, I give the true stem instead of the nom. case, which often shows a contracted and misleading form. Thus I write prime for primes, first, lapid for lapis (gen. lapid-is), a stone; and so on throughout. The attention of the student is particularly directed to this arrangement, as it saves much space and explanation. For the same reason, I omit the meanings of the Latin words; they can always be easily discovered.

Further, I ask particularly that it may be understood, once for all, that compound suffixes are analysed below as if they had been formed regularly from the stems actually given; although in several cases corrections may have to be applied. Thus the word æqu-a-lis was not really formed by adding -lis to the stem æqu-a-, but was, more probably, formed by analogy with ta-lis, qua-lis, and forms (such as normā-lis) in which the final \bar{a} is original; so that the -adoes not always necessarily represent the feminine form of Suffix I, as it appears to do. I have no space to analyse every word in the strictest way.

§ 272. List of Latin Suffixes (numbered, for reference). Observe that, in many instances, the suffix is combined with СС

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others, and may appear near the middle of a word. Thus the suffix -i not only appears in ædi, stem of ædes, but in the middle of æd-i-ficare, to build, from the same. Moreover, in the middle of a word, we usually find -i- for -o-, -mi- for -mo-, -ri- for -ro-, &c.

- 1. -O (-o, - \check{i} -); son-o, popul-o, bell-i-(co). Fem. -Â (-a, - \bar{a} -); arc-a, arc- \bar{a} -(no).
- 2. -I (-i, -ĭ-); æd-i, æd-i-(ficare), mar-i-(timo), turp-i-(tudin), uulp-i-(cida).
- 3. -U (-u, -u-); arc-u, Low L. gen-u-(flexion), ten-u-(i), suā-u-(i).
- 4. -YO (-io, -ie-); soc-io, med-io, med-ie-(tat). Fem. -YÂ (-ia); fur-ia, uictor-ia. A closely allied fem. form occurs in -ie; pauper-ie, ac-ie, fac-ie. Cf. al-ie-(no).

Hence, perhaps, the vowel $-\bar{\imath}$ - in some fem. sbs., as in $matr-\bar{\imath}$ -(c), from matr-io. A curious compound occurs in -eo, put for *-i-yo, for -O-YO; as in aur-eo, for *aur-i-yo (aur-o-yo). Hence also -neo is put for -ni-yo (-NO-YO), as in $extr\bar{a}$ -neo. So also -l-eo, -c-eo; see 16, 38.

- 5. -WO (-uo, -u-); eq-uo, eq-u-($\bar{\imath}$ no), sal-uo, ann-uo. Fem. -WÂ (-ua, -u $\bar{\imath}$ -); stat-ua, ual-ua, sil-u $\bar{\imath}$ -(tico).
- 6. -MO (-mo, -mi-, -m-); pri-mo, an-i-mo, infir-mi-(tat), ulti-m-(ato). Fem. -MÂ (-mă, -mā-); fa-mă, nor-mā-(li).
 - 7. -MI (-mi); uer-mi.
- 8. -MEN, -MON (-men, -min-, -mn-, -mon-); fla-men, no-min-(ali), ger-min-(are), calu-mn-(ia), acri-mon-(ia). See 24.
- 9. -MENO (-mino, -mno); ter-mino, da-mno. See 8 and 1. Fem. -MENÂ (-mina); $f\bar{e}$ -mina.
- 10. -NO (-no, -ni-); dig-no, dig-ni-(tāt). Fem. -NÂ (-na); ul-na. Here belongs -neo or n-eo; see 4.
- 11. -TNO (-tĭno, -ndo, for *-tno)¹; pris-tĭno, cras-tīno, ama-ndo, fle-ndo.
 - 12. -NI (-ni); ig-ni, iuue-ni.

¹ For the change from tn to nd, compare pando, for *pat-no, from pat-ere; tendo for *te-tn-o, from ten-ere.

- 13. -NU (-nu, -nu-, nĭ-); ma-nu, ma-nu-(ali), ma-ni-(festo).
- 14. -EN, -ON (-en, -in-, -n-, -o, -ōn); nom. pect-en, gen. pect-in-is; nom. car-o (for *car-on), gen. car-n-is; car-n-(ali); nom. hom-o (for *hom-on), gen. hom-in-is; nebul-ōn. Cf. no. 35.
- 15. -ENT, -ONT, -NT (-ent-, -unt-, -nt-); ag-ent-i, abs-ent-i, e-unt-i, uol-un-(tāt) (for *uol-unt-tāt), ama-nt-i, fle-nt-i.
- 16. -LO (-lo, -ĭ-li, for *-i-lo, -ŭ-lo); sti-lo, fac-ili, trem-ulo. Fem. -LÂ (-la, -ē-la); uio-la, cand-ē-la (from cand-ē-re). Here belongs the suffix -s-lo, usually contracted, with loss of s; as in uē-lo, for *ueh-s-lo, from ueh-ere; ā-la, for *ag-s-lā, from ag-ere; pā-lo, for *pac-s-lo, from the base seen in pac-is-ci.

Also -l-eo, as in acu-leo; see 4.

- 17. -LI (-li, -l); ta-li, æqua-li. The i is dropped in anima-l, tribuna-l; cf. sal, sol.
- N.B. The -li becomes -ri; this arose, in the first instance, from dissimilation, i. e. to avoid a repetition of l, and is chiefly found when an l occurs in the former part of the word; as palma-ri, milita-ri. Hence also -ri-o, - \tilde{a} -ri-o, as in contrā-ri-o.
- 18. -RO (-ro, -ero, -rǐ-); pu-ro, ag-ro (nom. ager); pu-ero (nom. pu-er); ca-ri-(tāt), in-teg-ri-(tāt). Fem. -RÂ (-ra, -era, -erā-); cap-ra, cam-era, hed-erā-(ceo).
- 19. Closely related to the preceding is the Gk. comparative suffix $-\tau\epsilon\rho$ 0, to which answers L. -ter, -ter0, -tr0, -tr0, as well as -is-tr0, -is-ter (cf. -is in mag-is); as in dex-tr0, dex-ter0, nom. dex-ter0, in-ter-(ior)0, con-tr0, in-tr0; mag-is-tr0, nom. mag-is-ter1; min-is-ter0, nom. min-is-ter1. This seems to be not the same suffix as the agential suffix -tr0 which appears in ara-tr0, a plough, an implement wherewith to plough; see 32 (p. 389).
 - 20. -RI (-ri, -eri); ac-ri, nom. ac-er; put-ri; cel-eri.
- 21. -RU (-ru-, -ri-); dac-ru-(ma), lac-ru-(ma), lac-ri-(ma), a tear; cf. Gk. δάκ-ρυ.

22. -ER, -OR (-er, -or, -or-); ans-er, sor-or, gen. sor-or-is. Closely allied to the suffix -TER, -TOR. See 31.

23. -ES, -OS (-es-, -is-, -er; -os, -us, -us-, -or-, - $\bar{o}r$ -); modes-(to), mai-es-(t $\bar{a}t$), dig-n-is-(simo), nequ-is-(simo); op-er-is, gen. case of op-us; dec- $\bar{o}r$ -is, gen. of dec-us; hon- $\bar{o}r$ -is, gen. of hon-os, hon-or; aur-or-(a); temp-us, whence temp-es-(t $\bar{a}t$), temp-er-(are), temp-or-ali; min-us-(culo). Note the frequent change of s to r between two vowels.

Lat. -is (-is, -er-). Closely allied to the above. As in cin-is, gen. cin-er-is; mag-is-(ter); cin-er-(ārio).

Lat. -s (-s, -r-). Also closely related to the above; as in flo-s, gen. flo-r-is; spe-s, spe-r-are, mon-s-(tro). Also in suffix -s-lo; see 16.

24. -TO (-to, -so, -ti-, -si-); ac-to, mis-so, ac-ti-($\bar{o}n$), mis-si-($\bar{o}n$). Fem. -TÂ (-tă, -să, -tā-, -sā); sec-ta (from sequ-i), noxa, for *noc-sa (from noc-ere), repul-sa, ui-tā-(li), men-sā-(li).

-MENTO. Hence the common compound suffix -MEN-TO (-men-to), as in aug-mento. See 8.

Lat. $-\bar{o}$ -so $(-\bar{o}$ -si-). The curious L. suffix $-\bar{o}$ so is known to stand for -onso, as formonsus occurs for formosus in old inscriptions. Osthoff (see Brugmann, I. § 238) explains it as shortened from *-o-wns-so, for *-o-wnt-to, with vocalic n; that is, it arose from a conjunction of -o-, or a stem vowel, with the suffixes -wnt- and -to. The suffix -wnt- is the weakened form of the suffix -went (-wont); cf. Skt. putra-vant, having sons, Gk. $a_{\mu\pi} \in \lambda_0 - f_{evr}$ - (nom. $a_{\mu\pi} \in \lambda_0 = f_{evr}$), abounding in vines. See 5 and 15.

25. -TI (-ti, -si); cu-ti; mes-si; axi, for *ag-si; agres-ti, domes-ti-(co).

26. -TI, reduced to -T (-t, -et, -it, -ut, -\bar{o}t, -\bar{u}t); par-t (nom. pars (=*part-s), gen. par-ti-s); seg-et (nom. seg-es, gen. seg-eti-s); com-it (nom. com-es, gen. com-iti-s); cap-ut (gen. cap-iti-s); nep-\bar{o}t (nom. nep-os, gen. nep-\bar{o}ti-s); sal-\bar{u}t (nom. sal-us, gen. sal-\bar{u}ti-s). Here perhaps belongs qui-\bar{e}t (nom. qui-es, gen. qui-\bar{e}ti-s.

- 27. -TI-ON (-ti-on, -si-on), ac-ti-on (nom. ac-ti-o), mis-si-on (nom. mis-si-o). See 25 and 14.
- 28. -TÂ-TI (-tā-t); dei-tāt, (nom. dei-tas, gen. dei-tāti-s). See 24 and 25.
- 29. -TU (-tu, -tu-, -ti-, -su, -su-); ar-tu, ri-tu-(ali), ar-ti-(culo); cā-su (for *cad-su), sexu (for *sec-su), u-su-(ali).
- 30. -TU-TI (-tūt); uir-tut (nom. uir-tus, gen. uir-tuti-s). See 29 and 25.
- 31. -TER, -TOR, -TR (-ter, -tor, -tr, -sor); pa-tr (nom. pa-ter); da-tor (nom. da-tor, gen. da-tor-is); confes-sor; nu-tr- $(\bar{\iota}$ -c) (nom. nu-tr-i-x, gen. nu-tr- $\bar{\iota}$ -c-is). See 4.
- 32. -TR-O (-tr-0, -cl-0, -cul-0, -cr-0); ar-a-tr-0; spec-tr-0, mons-tr-0, per-ī-cl-0, per-ī-cul-0, lu-cr-0. See 31 and 1.

The sound of -tro was easily changed to -cro, and thence to -clo. Fem. -TRÂ; mulc-tra.

- 33. -TUR-O (-tūr-o, -sūr-o); fu-tūr-o, mis-sūr-o. Fem. -TUR-Â (-tūr-a, -sūr-a); crea-tur-a, ton-sūr-a. Closely allied to 31, followed by 1.
- 34. -ID, -D (-id, -ud, -d-); lap-id (nom. lap-is, gen. lap-id-is); pec-ud (nom. pec-us, gen. pec-ud-is); haer-ē-d (nom. hær-e-s, gen. haer-ēd-is).
- 35. -D-EN, -D-ON (-d-in); or-d-in, nom. or-d-o, for *or-d-on; cf. or-iri, or-d-iri; car-d-in. Cf. 14.
- 36. -TU-D-EN (-tu-d-in); alti-tu-d-in, nom. alti-tu-do, for *alti-tu-d-on. See 29 and 35.
- 37. -DO(-do, -di-); luc-i-do, pu-tri-do. All adjectives; here the suffix -do is probably derived from dă-re; thus luc-i-do is 'light-giving.' In composition -di-, as in timi-di-(tat).
- 38. -QO, -KO (-quo, -co, -qui-, -ci-, -cu-, -c-); ant- $\bar{\imath}$ -quo, ciui-co, sola-ci-(o), mus-cu-(lo), fe-c-(undo). Hence anti-qui-(tat), pau-ci-(tat). Fem. -QÂ, -KÂ (-ca); rub-r- $\bar{\imath}$ -ca. Here belongs - \bar{a} -ce-o, as in herb- \bar{a} -ce-o; see 4.
- 39. -K (ic, $-\bar{a}$ -c, $-\bar{e}$ -c, \bar{i} -c, \bar{o} -c); ap-ec (nom. ap-ex, gen. ap-ic-is); append-ic, forn- \bar{a} -c, ueru- \bar{e} -c, rad- \bar{i} -c, fer- \bar{o} -c; with noms. in -x, and stems taking -i in all oblique cases.

- 40. -SQO, fem. -SQÂ (-sco, -sca); e-sca, for *ed-sca, from ed-ere; mollu-sca, from molli-s.
- 41. -BHO (-bo); mor-bo, from mor-i. We probably have a derivative of $\sqrt{_{\rm BHU}}$, to be, in ama-bo, future tense of amare, and in the suffix -bu, as seen in uaga-bu-ndo. [Some refer hither the -bi- in amā-bi-li]
- 42. Lat. -bro, -bri, -ber; as in candela-bro, fune-bri, Novem-ber. Also found as -bulo, for *-blo; fem. -bula, for *-blā; as in sta-bulo, fa-bula. Here perhaps belongs the adj. suffix -bili, as in sta-bili.
- 43. Lat. -g-. The Lat. -g- in *miti-g-are*, *pur-g-are* is not an Aryan suffix, but a suffix due to the Lat. *ag-ere*, to drive; so also, perhaps, in *im-à-g-in*, *uir-g-in*.
- § 273. It will be seen that the forms within parenthesis, such as (-u, -u-) after the Aryan suffix -U in § 272, no. 3, are forms which actually occur, and have been exemplified. Also, that the symbol -u (with one hyphen) denotes that the suffix (not counting case-endings) is final, as in arc-u (nom. arc-u-s), a bow; and -u- (with two hyphens), that it is medial, as in ten-u-i-s. I shall now collect these within the smallest possible space, omitting all the hyphens, but marking off, as is very necessary, such substitutions as only occur medially. The latter are marked 'med.'
- 1. o, a; med. \check{i} , \bar{a} . 2. \check{i} . 3. u. 4. io, ia, $i\bar{e}$, eo, ea; med. $i\bar{e}$, \bar{i} . 5. uo, ua (vo, va); med. u, $u\bar{a}$ (v, $v\bar{a})$. 6. mo, $m\bar{a}$; med. m, mi, $m\bar{a}$. 7. mi. 8. men; med. min, mn, $m\bar{o}n$. 9. mino, mina, mno. 10. no, na; med. $n\check{i}$, n. 11. fino, ndo. 12. ni. 13. nu; med. $n\check{i}$. 14. en, $\bar{o}(n)$, o; med. in, n. 15. ent, unt, nt. 16. lo, ili, ulo, la, $\bar{e}la$, (s)lo; med. l. 17. li, l, ri, rio. 18. ro, ero, ra, era; med. $r\check{i}$, $r\bar{a}$. 19. ter, tero, $tr\bar{o}$, $tr\bar{a}$, $tr\bar{o}$, ister, $istr\bar{o}$. 20. ri, eri. 21. ru; med. $r\check{i}$. 22. er, $\check{o}r$; med. $\bar{o}r$. 23. os, us, s; $\check{e}r(i)$, $\check{o}r(i)$, $\bar{o}r(i)$, r(i); med. es, is. Also is (eri); med. er. 24. to, so, ta, sa; oso; med. ti, si, osi. Also men-to. 25. ti, si. 26. t, et, $\check{i}t$, $\check{u}t$, $\bar{o}t$, $\bar{u}t$. 27. $ti\bar{o}n$, $si\bar{o}n$. 28. $t\bar{a}t(i)$. 29. tu, su; med. ti. 30. $t\bar{u}t(i)$.

31. ter, tr(i), $t\bar{o}r(i)$, $s\bar{o}r(i)$. 32. tro, clo, culo, cro, tra. 33. turo, suro, tura, sura. 34. id, ud, $(\bar{e})d$. 35. din(i). 36. tudin(i). 37. do; med. di. 38. quo, co, ca; med. qui, ci, cu, c. 39. ic(i), $\bar{a}c(i)$, $\bar{e}c(i)$, $\bar{i}c(i)$, $\bar{o}c(i)$. 40. sco, sca. 41. bo; med. bu; bi (?). 42. bro, bri, ber; bulo, bula; bili (?) 43. med. g.

N. B. The suffix (i) in 23, 28, &c., shows that such words belong invariably to the 3rd or i-declension. The suffix ni in 12 is distinguished from ni in 10 and 13 by the fact that the latter can only occur medially; in 10 and 13, the question whether ni stands for no or nu is generally easily settled. Almost the only doubtful suffix is -tro, in 19 and 32; but the latter is an agential suffix, which usually marks it off.

§ 274. Out of the above suffixes, in a great variety of combinations, almost all Latin suffixes, however long or complex, are formed, and can usually be traced without much trouble. The chief difficulty, sometimes almost insuperable, is to detect the values of connecting vowels, such as $-\bar{a}$ -, $-\bar{i}$ -, which may result from contraction. I now give a large number of common suffixes, in alphabetical order, all of which occur finally. It is needless to give examples, as they can easily be recognised, and it saves space to omit them. I also usually omit feminine suffixes; for which see § 272, at the beginning, especially nos. 1, 4, 5, 6, 16, 18, &c. The annexed numbers refer to the numbers in sections 272 and 273, and practically explain all that is necessary, except that I do not always account for connecting vowels.

§ 275. List of common suffixes.

A. a, 1. ā-bili, ā-bundo, ā-c(i), ā-ceo, ā-citāt, ā-clo, ā-co, ā-culo, ā-gin, ā-li, ā-limen, ā-litāt, ā-men, ā-neo, ā-no, ā-nt(i), ā-ntia, ā-ri, ā-rio, a-ri-tat, ā-ro, ā-siōn, ā-tico, ā-tili, ā-tiōn, ā-to, ā-tro, ā-tu. See further under bili, bundo, &c., without -ā-.

B. bili, 42. bilitāt(i), 42, 28. bo, 41. bro, 42. bulo, 42. bu-ndo, 41, 11.

C. c, 38, 39. ca, 38. c-eo, 38, 4. ci, 39. ci-o, 38, 1. ci- $\bar{o}n$, 38, 14. ci-tat(i), as in \bar{a} -citat, \bar{i} -citat, \bar{o} -citat, 39, 28. clo, 32. co, 38. c-oso, 38, 24. c-ri, 38, 20. cro, 32. culo, 32; also cu-lo, 38, 16. cu-ndo, 38, 11.

D. d, 34. d-in(i), 35. do, 37.

E. \bar{e} -bili; see bili. ec, 39. \bar{e} -c(i), 39. \bar{e} -d, 34. \bar{e} -din(i); see din(i). \bar{e} -la, 16. \bar{e} -li, 17. el-lo, dimin. suffix ¹. el-lu-lo(=el-lo-lo), double dimin. suffix. en, 14. e-ndo, 11. en-si, perhaps for *ent-si, 15, 25; cf. 14. ent, ent(i), 15. ent-ia, 15, 4. eo, 4. er, 22; cf. 18. er, er(i), 23. er-ā-bili, 18 (or 23), 42. er-ā-li, 23, 17. er-ā-to, 18 (or 23), 24. eri, 20; cf. 23. ero, 18. er-oso, 18 (or 23), 24. es-tat(i), 23, 23. es-to, 23, 24. es-ti, 23, 25. es-ti-co, 23, 24, 38. es-tri, 23, 31. et, 26. \bar{e} -tiōn, 27. \bar{e} -t \bar{u} -din(i), 36, 35.

G. -g-, 43. -g-o, -g-in, 43, 14.

I. -i, 2, 1. ia, 4. i-bili; see bili. i-bundo; see bundo. ic, 39. i-cio; see cio. i-clo, 32. i-co, 38. i-culo, 32; i-culo, 38, 16. id, 34. i-din, 35. i-di-tat, 37, 28. ie, 4. i-e-ndo, II. $i\bar{e}$ -no, 4, 10. i-ensi; see ensi. i-ent(i), 15. i-ent-ia, 15. 4. ie-tat, 4, 28. i-e-tat, 28. i-li, 16, 17. i-li, 17. i-litat, 16 (or 17), 28. i-lo, 16. i-men, 8. i-mo, 6. in-er, 14, 23. i-no, 10. in-quo, 14, 38. io, 4. i- $\bar{o}n$, 14. i-or, 23. 23, 19. is-to, 23, 24. it, 26. i-tat(i), 28. i-tion, 27. i-to, 24. i-tu-din(i), 35, 36. i-uo (i-vo), 5.

L. l, 16, 17. l-ent(i), 16, 15. l-eo, 16, 4. li, 17. l-ia, 16, 4. li-co, 16 (or 17), 38. li-men, 17, 8. li-mo, 16 (or 17), 6. l-ī-no, 16, 4, 10. l-io, 16 (or 17), 4. li-tat, 17, 28. lo, 16. l-oso, 16 (or 17), 24.

M. m, 6. men, min, 8. men-to, 8, 24. m-et, m-it, 6, 26. mi, 7, 6. min, 8. mino, 9. m-it, 6, 26. mn, 8. mno, 9. mo, 6. mon-io, 8, 4.

N. n, 10, 14. ndo, 11. n-eo, 10, 4. ni, 10, 12, 13. n-io,

¹ Probably due to contraction with bases ending in a liquid. Cf. bel-lo, adj., for ben-lo, bene-lo.

10, 4. ni-tat(i), 10, 28. ni-tu-din(i), 10, 36, 35. no, 10. nt, 15. nt-ia, 15, 4. nu, 13. n-us (n-ori), 10, 23.

O. o, 1, 14. o-ci, 39. o-ci-tat(i), 39, 28. $\bar{o}n$, 14. $\bar{o}n$ -eo, $\bar{o}n$ -io, 14, 4. o-no, 10. or- \bar{a} -li, 23, 17. $\bar{o}r$, $\bar{o}r$, 22. or(i), $\bar{o}r(i)$, 23. $\bar{o}r$ -i-oso, 23, 4, 24. $\bar{o}r$ -oso, 23, 24. os, 23. ositat(i), 24, 28. oso, 24. $\bar{o}t$, 26. \bar{o} -ti, 25. \bar{o} -to, 24.

Q. qui-tat, 38. quo, 38.

R. r(i), 23. ri, 18, 20, 21. ri (for li), 17. ri-mo, 18 (or 20), 6. rio (as in \bar{a} -rio), 17. ri-tat, 18, 28. ro, 18. ru, 21. S. s(>ri), 23. si, 24, 25. si-bili, 24 (25), 42. si-li, 24 (25), 17. $si\bar{o}n$, 27. s- \bar{i} -uo (sivo), 24, 5. (s)-lo, 16. so, 24. $s\bar{o}r(i)$, 31. $s\bar{o}ri$ -o, 31, 1. sti; see es-ti. ster, stro; see is-ter, is-tro. su, 29. suro, 33.

T. t, 26. $t\bar{a}$ -n-eo, 24, 10, 4. tat(i), 28. tati-co, 28, 38. t-eo, 24, 4. ter, 19, 31. tero, 19. ti, 24, 25, 29. ti-co, 24, 38. ti-ti, 24, 17. ti-mo, 24, 6. tino, 11. ti-no, 24 (25)?, 10. t-t-to, 24?, 4. tito, 27. t-t-t-t-to0 (titv0), 24, 5. t0, 24. t0t7, 31. t0t-t0, 31, 4. t1t10, 31. t1t2t1, 31. t1t2t2t3, 4, 38. t1t2t3, 10. t10, 19, 32. t1t10 (t10 t1t1); cf. 31. t10, 29. t10 t10, 36. t10-t10 (for t1-t10), 24, 6. t10t10, 30.

U (vowel). u, 3. u-ceo; see ceo. u-co; see co. ud, 34. ui-tat, 5, 28. u-l-ento, 16, 15. u-li, 17. u-lo, 16. ul-tu, 16, 29. u-men, 8. u-ndo, 11. u-no, 10. untat, 15, 28. uo, 5. u-oso, 5, 24. ŭr (for ŭs, in fulg-ur), 23. uro; see turo, suro. us, 23. us-cu-lo, 23, 38, 16. us-to, 23, 24. ut, 26. u-to. 24. u-tion, 27.

W (u as a consonant). uo, by-form ui (vo, vi), 5. X. See c.

Perhaps I may conveniently repeat here, that from the above stems the nom. cases may usually be found without much trouble. The most common variations are these, Change final o to us or um; final t to s; final in or in(i) to o; final o to o; final o to o; final o to o; final o to o; and add o to stems ending in o or o (not neuter). But it is best to consult

a good grammar, which necessarily gives the declensional forms in full.

Some Greek Suffixes.

- § 276. Most of the above suffixes occur in Greek also, in similar and sometimes in almost identical forms. I here make a note of some that occur in words which have been borrowed by English; with the same numbering as in §§ 272 and 273.
- 1. -O (-o); τόμ-o-s, E. tome; κῶλ-o-ν, a member, limb, clause, E. colon, semicolon. Fem.-Â (η); πληγ-ή, a stroke, L. plag-a, E. plague. So also ἔξοδ-o-s, E. exodus, Gk. acc. γύψ-ον (of Pers. origin), L. gypsum. The nom. suffix is kept in chor-us, exod-us, phosphor-us, sarcophag-us, typh-us; col-on, semicol-on; asyl-um, gyps-um. The suffix itself appears only as mute final e in pore (of the skin), scope, spore, tome, tone, trope, tune, type; and as -ue in dialogue, eclogue, exergue. It has disappeared in atom, bishop, cenotaph, choir, devil. It appears in its true form in the middle of anthrop-o-logy, entom-o-logy, mon-o-logue. The fem. suffix appears in diatrib-e, diastol-e, epitom-e, hyperbol-e, stroph-e, systol-e; it is mute in lyre, ode, pyre, stole.
- 2. -I (-1); nom. -1s; acropol-is, metropol-is; cf. polit-i-c. So also prax-is; but -is is dropped in syntax.
 - 3. -U (-v); Eng. y; bar-y-tone, ox-y-gen, pach-y-derm.
- 4. -YO (-ιο); ἄγ-ιο-s, holy. Fem. -YÂ (-ια). But, in Gk., this suffix often causes an alteration in a word's form, arising from contraction. Thus Gk. *άλ-yos (L. al-ius) was contracted to ἄλλοs, whence allo-pathy; Gk. *μέθ-yos (Skt. madhyss, L. med-ius) became μέσσος, μέσος; whence mes-entery. So also γλώσσα, tongue, for *γλώχ-ya; cf. γλωχ-ίς, the end of a strap; hence gloss, bu-gloss. And σφαῖρα, E. sphere, is for σφάρ-ya.
 - 5. -WO (-0). The w (f) disappears in Greek; but Gk. $\partial \rho \theta \delta s$ is seen to stand for $*\partial \rho \theta F \delta s$, by comparison with

Skt. ūrdh-vas, erect, L. ard-uus. So Gk. κενόs, empty, is for *κεν-Fos, as shown by Lesbian κεννόs, Ionic κεινόs, and by the comparative κενό-τεροs instead of κενώ-τεροs. Consequently, the Aryan -WO is represented by -o- in orth-o-dox, cen-o-taph.

- 6. -MO $(-\mu o)$; fem.-MÂ $(-\mu \eta)$. Gk. $\chi v \mu o s$, juice, $\theta \epsilon \rho \mu o s$, warm; $\partial \kappa \mu \eta$, point; $\pi v \gamma \mu \eta$, fist. Hence E. chy-me, ther-mometer, ac-me, pig-m-y. Added to other suffixes in ari-th-metic, rhy-th-m; enthusia-s-m, spa-s-m; also in words in -is-m, as archa-is-m, barbar-is-m, hero-is-m, organ-is-m, parallel-is-m, syllog-is-m. But words derived from Gk. neuter sbs., as schis-m, sche-me, do not belong here; see nos. 8, 24 below.
 - 7. -MI (- μ). Gk. $\theta \acute{\epsilon}$ - μ -s, justice; hence The-mi-stocles.
- 8. -MEN, -MON, -MN (- μa). The form -mn (with vocalic n) is reduced to - μa in Greek, while Latin has -men. Cf. Gk. $\tau \epsilon \rho \mu a$, L. ter-men, a boundary. Examples occur in sche-me, the-me; apophtheg-m, axio-m, diaphrag-m, paradig-m, poe-m, stratage-m, theore-m; chas-m, cataplas-m; baptis-m, chris-m, schis-m, sophis-m. All words formed from $\gamma \rho \dot{a} \mu \mu a$ (for * $\gamma \rho \dot{a} \phi \mu a$) drop the suffix in E.; as diagram, epigram, monogram, telegram, &c.; a needless exception is program-me, which keeps the F. form. See further under no. 24.
- 9. -MENO (- $\mu\epsilon\nu$ 0). The suffix of the Gk. present participle, in the middle and passive voices; as $\phi\epsilon\rho\delta$ - $\mu\epsilon\nu$ 0s from $\phi\epsilon\rho$ - $\epsilon\nu$ 0. Ex. pheno-menon.
- 10. -NO (-νο); fem. -NÂ (-νη). As in Gk. στυγ-νός, hateful, from στυγ-εῖν, to hate; σκη-νή, shelter, Ε. sce-ne. So also Ε. tech-ni-cal, cli-ni-cal, from τέχ-νη, art, κλί-νη, bed. Here also belongs the suffix -ονο-, as in θρ-όνο-ς, seat, Ε. thr-one, from $\sqrt{\text{DHER}}$, to support; $\chi \rho$ -όνο-ς, space of time, whence Ε. chr-oni-cle, allied to $\chi \epsilon \rho$ -, to comprehend (cf. $\chi \epsilon \rho$ -οῖν, dat. pl. of $\chi \epsilon \hat{i} \rho$, hand), Skt. hr, to take.

Suffix no. 11 is peculiar to Latin, and nos. 12 and 13 are rare in Greek.

14. -EN, -ON ($-\epsilon \nu$ -, - ν -, - ν -; - $\eta \nu$,- $\omega \nu$). The nom. has - $\eta \nu$ or - $\omega \nu$; as in $d\rho \sigma$ - $\eta \nu$, male, gen. $d\rho \sigma$ - $\epsilon \nu$ -o s; $\kappa \dot{\nu}$ - $\omega \nu$, dog, gen.

κυ-ν-όs; here belongs $d\gamma$ -ών, contest, gen. $d\gamma$ -ῶν-οs. Exx. ars-en-ic, cy-n-ic, ag-on-y.

- 15. -ENT, -ONT (-εντ-, -οντ-). The Gk. nom. case has -ων; as in φέρ-ων. Exx. arch-on, horiz-on; also drag-on, a F. form, from Gk. δράκ-ων. Also phaet-on, for phaeth-on. To show that the o is long in Gk., e is added in cylc-one (κυκλ-ῶν), oz-one (ὄζ-ων). The characteristic -αντ- occurs in horiz-ont-al, Anacre-ont-ic.
- 16. -LO (- $\lambda \sigma$ -); fem. -LÂ (- $\lambda \eta$). This appears in $\delta \theta$ - $\lambda \sigma$ -s, contest, $\delta \theta$ - $\lambda \sigma$ - ν , prize, whence E. *ath-l-ete*; also, with a prefixed short vowel, in $\pi \epsilon \tau$ - $a\lambda \sigma$ - ν , E. *pet-al*.
- 18. -RO (-ρο); fem. -RÂ (-ρα). Gk. νεκ-ρό-s, dead (cf. νέκ-νs, corpse); hence nec-ro-mancy; ὅ-ρα, Ε. hou-r. So also ac-ro-bat, cop-ro-lite, hie-ro-phant, pte-ro-dactyl. Fem. hyd-ra; also cathed-r-al, chai-r, from ἔδ-ρα, a seat.
- 19. -TER, -TERO (-τερ-, -τερο-). Common in comparatives, as πρά-τερα-s, former; πρεσβύ-τεραs, elder, Ε. presby-ter. So also ἔν-τερο-ν, entrails; μεσεν-τέρ-ιον, Ε. mesen-ter-y.
 - 20. -RI (-ρι); as in ἴδ-ρι-s, knowing, skilful.
 - 21. -RU (-ρυ); as in δάκ-ρυ, a tear.
 - 22. -R (-aρ); as in οὖθ-aρ, L. ub-er, udder.
- 23. -ES, -OS (- $\epsilon\sigma$ -, -os). Here belong sbs. having -os in the nom. case, and - $\epsilon\sigma$ (originally) in other cases; as, nom. $\pi \dot{a}\theta$ -os, E. path-os, gen. * $\pi \dot{a}\theta$ - $\epsilon\sigma$ -os, later $\pi \dot{a}\theta$ - ϵ -os, $\pi \dot{a}\theta$ ovs (with loss of σ), dat. * $\pi \dot{a}\theta$ - $\epsilon\sigma$ - ι , later $\pi \dot{a}\theta$ - $\epsilon\iota$. So also $\beta \dot{a}\theta$ -os, E. bath-os.
- 24. -TO (-το); fem. -TÂ (-τη). Gk. σηπ-τό-s, decayed; whence anti-sep-ti-c; στρα-τό-s, a camp, στρα-τ-ηγόs, a leader, στρα-τ-ήγημα, E. stra-t-agem. The fem. suffix occurs in γεν-ε-τή, birth, whence was formed a new masc. sb. γενέ-τη-s, father; and, with the like suffix -τηs, we have κρι-τή-s, judge, ποιη-τή-s, poet, προφη-τή-s, prophet; whence E. cri-ti-c, poe-t, prophe-t. So also the suffix -τα in δίαι-τα, mode of life, E. die-t; κίσ-τη, chest, whence L. cist-a, E. cis-t, and A. S. cis-t, ces-t, E. ches-t. MN-TO (-μα-το); with vocalic n; see no. 8. The suffix -τα

is added to oblique cases of sbs. ending in $-\mu a$, as in $\chi \epsilon i - \mu a - \tau o - s$, gen. of $\chi \epsilon i - \mu a$, winter. This suffix $-\mu a \tau o - a$ nswers to L.-mentum. Examples occur in cli-mate, chro-mati-c, dogmati-c, dra-mati-c, emble-mati-c, pris-mati-c, &c.

IS-TO (- $i\sigma\tau_0$); common in superlatives, as $\tau \acute{a}\chi$ - $\iota\sigma\tau_0$ -s, quickest; cf. E. -est. N.B. $\sigma\circ\phi$ - $\iota\sigma$ - $\tau\acute{\eta}$ -s, a sophist, does not belong here; see nos. 34, 24.

25. -TI, -SI ($-\tau_i$, $-\sigma_i$). Gk. $\phi\acute{a}$ - τ_i -s, a report, also $\phi\acute{a}$ - σ_i -s, a saying. Also in Gk. $\phi\acute{a}$ - σ_i -s, an appearance, allied to $\phi\acute{a}$ - σ_i s, light; the latter $\phi\acute{a}\sigma_i$ s is E. pha-se, and occurs again in empha-si-s. So also $\beta\acute{a}$ - σ_i s, E. ba-se; $\delta\psi_i$ s ($=\delta\pi$ - σ_i s), sight, whence E. aut-op-s-y; $\phi\acute{\theta}i$ - σ_i s, consumption, phthi-si-s; $\mu\acute{a}\nu$ - τ_i -s, a prophet, whence E. necro-man-cy; $\delta\acute{\epsilon}$ - σ_i s, E. the-sis; δ - δ - δ - δ - δ - δ -s, displacement, trance, E. ec-sta-sy, exta-sy.

26. -Τ (-τ); as in νυκ-τ-όs, gen. of νύξ, night.

28. -TÂ-T (-τητ); as in $\partial \rho \theta \delta$ -τητ-os, gen. of $\partial \rho \theta \delta$ -τηs, uprightness, from $\partial \rho \theta \delta$ -s, upright.

29. -TU $(-\tau \nu)$; as in $\beta \circ \eta - \tau \dot{\nu}$ -s, outcry, Odyss. i. 369. Here belongs the -ty- in e-ty-mology.

31. -TER, -TOR, -TÊR, -TÔR (-τερ, -τορ, -τηρ, -τωρ); as in $\pi \alpha$ -τήρ, father, acc. $\pi \alpha$ -τέρ- α ; δω-τήρ, δώ-τωρ, giver. So $ĩ \sigma$ -τωρ, one who knows, whence his-tor-y, s-tor-y; κρ $\bar{\alpha}$ -τήρ, bowl, E. cra-ter; φυλακ-τήρ, guard, whence E. phylac-ter-y. Add ar-ter-y, cau-ter-y, ceme-ter-y, charac-ter, mys-ter-y, psalter-y. Gk. κυβερνη-τήρ, steersman, Latinised as guberna-tor, whence A. F. governour, E. govern-or.

32.-TRO (-τρο). Gk. λέκ-τρο-ν, a couch, a rest, whence E. lec-ter-n, confused (in popular etymology) with L. leg-ere, to read; φίλ-τρον, a love-charm, E. phil-tre.

34. -D (- $\alpha\delta$, - $\iota\delta$). Gk. $\mu\alpha\iota\nu\dot{\alpha}s$, gen. $\mu\alpha\iota\nu-\dot{\alpha}\delta$ - σs , raving, E. $M\alpha n$ -ad; $\gamma\iota\mu\nu\dot{\alpha}s$, gen. $\gamma\iota\mu\nu-\dot{\alpha}\delta$ - σs , stripped for contest; whence the verb $\gamma\iota\mu\nu\dot{\alpha}\zeta\epsilon\iota\nu$ (= $\gamma\iota\mu\nu-\dot{\alpha}\delta$ - $\gamma\epsilon\iota\nu$), to train, $\gamma\iota\mu\nu-\alpha\sigma$ - $\tau\dot{\eta}s$, a trainer, E. gymn-as- ι , with s for d before t; $a\dot{\imath}\gamma$ -is, gen. $a\dot{\imath}\gamma$ - $i\delta$ - σs , E. Egis. So also, from $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho\iota s$, strife, gen. $\tilde{\epsilon}\rho$ - $\iota\delta$ - σs , was formed $\hat{\epsilon}\rho$ - $\iota\zeta\epsilon\iota\nu$ (= $\hat{\epsilon}\rho$ - $\iota\delta$ - $\gamma\epsilon\iota\nu$), to strive; and here belong the

numerous verbs in $-a\zeta\epsilon\iota\nu$, $-\iota\zeta\epsilon\iota\nu$, and their derivatives. The Gk. $-\iota\zeta\epsilon\iota\nu$ became Low Lat. -izare, F. -iser, M. E. -isen, E. -ise (historically, in many cases), -ize (phonetically). Other examples of $-a\delta$ occur in dec-ade, dry-ad, Ili-ad, mon-ad, nom-ad, myri-ad, plei-ad, spor-ad-ic, encomi-as-t, enthusi-as-t, scholi-as-t; and of $-\iota\delta$, in hybr-id, Nere-id, Agon-is-tes, bapt-is-t, dogmat-is-t, dramat-is-t, panegyr-is-t. The suffix -ist is now in general use, even with Latin bases; as in dent-ist.

38. -QO, -KO (-κο); fem. -QÂ, -KÂ (-κη). Gk. κριτ-ι-κός, criti-c, from κρι-τός, adj. choice; so also many words in -ti-c, as hereti-c, phlegmati-c, and in -i-c, as electri-c, gastri-c, lyri-c, &c. Add demon-ia-c, man-ia-c, zod-ia-c; phar-ma-c-y.
39. -Q, -K (-κ). Sometimes the preceding suffix is reduced

39. -Q, -K (-κ). Sometimes the preceding sum is reduced to -κ; as in κλι-μαξ, for *κλι-μα-κ-s, gen. κλι-μα-κ-os; E. climax; compare Gk. κλι-μα, E. clime. So also calyx, helix, thorax.

40. -SKO (-σκο). Gk. δί-σκο-s, a quoit, put for *δίκ-σκοs, from δικ-εῖν, to cast; E. disc, dish. So also asteri-sk, basili-sk, obeli-sk.

CHAPTER XIX.

THE SLAVONIC ELEMENT.

§ 277. The Slavonic element in English is a very small one, and can hardly amount to more than about two dozen words in all, unless we include some that are not at all in general use.

A sufficient general account of the languages of the Slavonic family will be found in the first chapter of Morfill's *Slavonic Literature* (London, 1883). The chief classes of these languages are the Russian, the Bulgarian, the Serbo-Croatian, the Slovenish, Polish, Bohemian, and Lusatian Wendish. The oldest and most important specimens of Slavonic belong to the Old Bulgarian, also sometimes called Church Slavonic, being the language into which Cyrillus and Methodius translated the Bible, in the middle of the ninth century. See vol. i. § 84; p. 102. All the Slavonic languages belong to the Aryan family of languages, and are therefore cognate with the Teutonic and Celtic languages on the one hand, and with the Sanskrit, Greek, and Latin on the other.

The Slavonic languages have occasionally borrowed words from other Aryan languages, and conversely. Thus, the words plough and saddle are probably of Slavonic origin; and silk has taken a Slavonic form, though borrowed from the Latin sericum. On the other hand, czar is of Latin origin, from Cæsar; hetman may possibly be of German

origin, from *Haupimann*, captain, but this has been vigorously denied (see *The Academy*, Aug. and Sept., 1890); *knout* is of Swedish origin; and *vampire* may possible be Turkish.

§ 278. Many of the roots of words found in Old Bulgarian are sufficiently close to those found in other Aryan languages to be easily intelligible. Thus we find Russ. pit(e), to drink, from \(PI, Skt. \(pi, \) to drink; Russ. \(kovat(e), \) to hammer, L. cu-dere, E. hew; Russ. tu-k(e), s., fat, Lat. tu-mere, to swell, from $\sqrt{\text{TEU}}$, to swell; Russ. die-vat(e), to place, put, Gk. $\tau l - \theta \eta - \mu u$, from $\sqrt{DH\hat{E}}$, to place; Russ. slui-shat(e), to hear, Gk. κλυ-ειν, from VKLEU, to hear; &c. The relationship is more striking in common words, such as Russ. mat(e), mother, brat(e), brother, sestra, sister, suin', son, doch(e)', daughter, dom', house (Lat. dom-us), more, sea (Lat. mare). &c.; dva, two; tri, three; chetuire, four: piat(e), πέντε, five; shest(e), six; sem(e), seven; &c. Of course, in comparing words, the peculiar habits of Slavonic must be accounted for, as shown in the Table of Regular Substitution of Consonants, in vol. i. § 107. Of these the most striking are the substitution of s and z for the Aryan k and g; as in Russ. sto, L. centum, a hundred, Russ. znat(e), L. (g)nosc-ere, to know. The Slavonic forms frequently help to throw some additional light on E. words where Latin and Greek fail to do so, as in the case of E. chew, A. S. céow-an, G. kau-en, which answers to Russ. jev-at(e) or žev-at(e), with the same sense; E. tree, A. S. tréow, Russ. derevo; E. apple, A.S. æppel, Russ. iablo-ko; &c. In the above words I use the method of transliteration explained in the Preface to my Dictionary, but I have here distinguished the mute final e by using the symbol (e) within marks of parenthesis.

§ 279. It is worth notice here that the infinitives of all Russian 'regular' verbs end in -t(e), preceded by a vowel or diphthoug; this suffix answers to the -tum of the Latin supine. The endings are -at(e), -iat(e), -iet(e), -et(e), -it(e), -uit(e), -ot(e), -ut(e). The 'irregular' verbs end in -ch(e), or -ti. Exx.

sp-at(e), to sleep, sto-iat(e), to stand, sid-iet(e), to sit, liub-it(e), to love, b-uit(e), to be, mo-ch(e), to be able, it-ti, to go.

The best book for explaining Slavonic etymologies is the Etymologisches Wörterbuch der slavischen Sprachen, by F. Miklosich; Wien, 1886. It is especially easy to consult, as being wholly printed in Roman type. The primitive forms are given in Fick's Wörterbuch, though the vowels there used require occasional modification, by comparison with Brugmann's *Grundriss*.

§ 280. As to the time of introduction of Slavonic words, it is remarkable that one Russian word is met with at a very early date, viz. sable, which is used by Chaucer, and is common in heraldry; indeed, the adjectival form sabel-ine (Russ. sobol-ini-i, with suffix=L.-īnus as in can-inus) occurs in the Moral Ode, a poem of the 12th century. All other words of Slavonic origin belong to the modern period, after 1500 (unless we include the very old words plough, saddle, and silk). Argosy occurs in Shakespeare, and perhaps steppe, though there is a doubt about the reading (M. N.D. ii. 1. 69). Verst is in Hackluyt's Voyages (1598); slave occurs somewhat earlier, in Gascoigne; morse, in Sir T. Browne; and calash first appears in 1666. The rest, as far as I know, are quite modern in English.

281. Word-list. The following is the word-list. Argosy (from Ragusa, in Dalmatia, see New E. Dict.); calash (F., from Bohemian or Polish); copeck (Russ.); cravat (Croatian); czar (from Latin); drosky (Russian); eland (Dutch, from Polish); hetman (from German?); howitzer (German, from Bohemian); knout (Russ., from Swedish); mammoth (Siberian, said to be of Tatar origin); mazurka (Masovian); morse (Russ.); polka (Polish); plough (perhaps Old Slavonic); rouble (Russ.); sable (Russ.); saddle (perhaps O. Slavonic); silk (O. Slav., from Latin); slave (Slavonic); steppe (Russ.); ukase (Russ.); vampire (Servian, perhaps of Turk. origin); verst (Russian). We may also note the

word *Polack*, a Pole, Russ. *Poliak(e)*, spelt *Polacke* in Hackluyt's *Voyages*, i. 221; introduced into most modern editions of Shakespeare, in *Hamlet*, i. 1. 63. Some connect our *cassock* with the word *cossack*; but it is doubtful; see the New E. Dict.

§ 282. I append a few notes upon some of the above words.

Argosy is not really of Slavonic origin. Mr. Morfill kindly tells me that the Slavonic name of Ragusa is Dubrovnik, i. e. forest-town (cf. Russ. dubrava, a forest); the name Ragusa is Italian, and is said to be derived from Lausa, the name of a rock close by (Pîpin and Spasovich, Hist. of Slavonic Literature, p. 168). Copeck is from Russ. kopieika, the rooth part of a rouble. Eland is illustrated by the following entry in Hexham's Du. Dict.; 'Eelant, a wilde deere called an Alce [elk], bigger then a Buck, with more [bigger] hornes.' The name was at first applied to the elk, and was borrowed by Dutch from Slavonic, prob. from the Polish jeleh, a stag; cf. Servian jelen, Bohem. jelen, Russ. olen(e), Lithuan. elnis, stag. Mazurka and polka meant, at first, 'a Masovian woman' and 'a Polish woman' respectively; cf. F. Polonaise, Cracovienne; Cracoviak or Krakoviak means 'a man of Cracow,' also the name of a dance. The word plough, Russ. plug(e), occurs in all the Slavonic languages, as well as in Lithuanian and Old Prussian, and the Teutonic races must have borrowed it; the true A.S. word for 'plough' is sulh. Miklosich gives plugu as the general Slavonic form. As to silk, a Slavonic form of L. Sericum, see the note in the Supplement to my Dictionary. As to vampire, Miklosich gives a Slav. form vampiru, found in the Bulgarian vampir, vapir, vepir; Servian vampir; Polish upior; Little-Russian vampyr, vepyr, vopyr, opyr, vpyr, opir, uper; White-Russian upir, Russ. upir(e), upyr(e), obyr(e), also vampir(e). Miklosich adds that, in Servian and Russian, the werwolf (vukodlak) and the vampire are confused together. He suggests that the word is probably Turkish, and compares the North-Turk. uber, a witch. But I cannot see how u can pass into va, whereas the contrary change is easy; cf. Zend vap, to weave, pp. ubda (for *vapta), woven. As to verst, the orig. sense may have been 'turn,' hence, a distance, a space; the Russ. versta means 'age' as well as 'verst,' and stands for *vert-ta, regularly derived from the Slav. root vert, to turn, cognate with L. vert-ere (whence vers-us, for *vert-tus); cf. Russ. vert-iet(e), to turn, twirl, bore, turn back, return.

§ 283. Lithuanian. I have, in my Dictionary, set down the verb to talk, and the M. E. tulk, a man, as being Lithuanian. The word is certainly Scandian; and at the same time the Scandian word was borrowed from some other language, which Mr. Vigfusson says was Lithuanian, as may have been the case. But the word is equally common in Slavonic, and may even have been taken from a Slavonic source. Owing to the close connection between Lithuanian and Slavonic, it makes very little difference. It is interesting, however, to add the Slavonic forms. Amongst these, as given by Miklosich under tulku, I find the Servian tolkovati, Russ. tolkovat(e), to interpret, explain, also (simply) to talk, to speak of; Russ. tolk', sense, meaning, doctrine; Lithuanian tulkas, Lettish tulks, an interpreter; Lith. tulkoti, tulkanti, Lettish tulkot, to interpret. Besides which, there are the Icel. túlkr, Swed. tolk, Finnish tulkki, an interpreter; and Icel. túlka, Swed. tolka, to interpret. The wide spread of the word is easily explained from its peculiar meaning; an interpreter being a man who necessarily brings languages into contact with one another.

CHAPTER XX.

THE PERSIAN AND SANSKRIT ELEMENT.

§ 284. Having considered the Teutonic, Romance, and Slavonic sources, it is best to consider next the other languages of the Aryan family, such as the Persian and Sanskrit.

Persian. Persian is properly an Aryan language, though this fact is, in the modern stage, much obscured by the very large number of Arabic words which it has borrowed; and also, to a great extent, by the very degraded forms which it now exhibits. For example, the word for 'hundred' is sad, which does not, at first, resemble Lat. centum or A. S. hund or $Gk. \ell-\kappa\alpha\tau\delta v$; but it is at once explained by comparing it with the Skt. cata, where the Skt. c denotes an original k which has come to be pronounced like s; a phenomenon precisely paralleled by the sound of the F. cent, where c denotes the very same thing.

§ 285. As I do not remember to have met with a good list of Persian words cognate with English, I have collected some, as given below, in illustration of the Aryan character of Persian. I shall use for this purpose the same system of transliteration as that given in Palmer's Persian Dictionary, with the sole exception of using q for k, which seems simpler.

According to this system, the complete alphabet is as follows? $a(\bar{a}, i, \&c.), b, p, \%, s, j, ch, h, kh, d, z, r, z, zh, s, sh, s,$

 $z, t, \dot{z}, ', gh, f, q, k, g, l, m, n, w [u], h, y [\bar{\imath}]$. The order of the letters is somewhat troublesome, but some help to the memory may be given by observing that it begins with a, b (and its attendant p), and that it ends with the gutterals q, k, g, the liquids l, m, n, and the letters composing the word why. Again, by observing the forms of the written letters, we may notice that, excluding a (\bar{a} , &c.) and the final liquids (l, m, n) and w, h, y, the rest of the letters fall into classes, thus: $b, p, t, \dot{s}; -j, ch, \dot{b}, kh; -d, \dot{z}; -r, z, zh; -s, sh; -s, z; -t, \dot{z}; -', gh; -f, q; -k, g. Thus the leading letters of this portion of the alphabet are <math>b, j, d, r, s, s, t, ', f, k$. The use of diacritical marks to distinguish some of the letters does not cause much trouble, because very few of the dotted letters occur in such words as have been imported into English.

Among the most helpful books are: Palmer's Hindustāni, Persian, and Arabic Grammar; Palmer's Pers. Dict.; and Richardson's Arabic and Pers. Dict. (ed. Johnson). The student may further be referred to the article on phonetic laws in Persian, by Prof. Rieu (Phil. Soc. Trans., 1880, p. r); Schleicher's Indogermanische Chrestomathie, which contains specimens of Old Bactrian and of the Old Persian cuneiform inscriptions; and the handbook of Zend (Handbuch der Zendsprache) by F. Justi. There is an etymological Pers. Dict. by Vüllers.

As to the older forms of the Iranian languages, we have specimens of Old Bactrian or Zend, being the language of the old Persian sacred writings; of Old Persian, the language of the cuneiform inscriptions; and of Pehlevi, a later form than either of the above. Pehlevi, by the way, is a later form of pārthava, meaning 'Parthian.' The modern Iranian dialects comprise Persian, Afghan, Kurdish, and others.

§ 286. Many of the phonetic changes in Persian are not a little extraordinary, but can all be explained; most of them, indeed, are very well shown by Prof. Rieu in the article above referred to. I give the following examples of correspondence

between words of native English origin and words of Persian origin, in order to show how the known laws of language often enable us to connect words which do not at first sight resemble each other, with a few notes in the more difficult cases. To find the common Aryan form in each case would furnish a lesson in comparative philology for a student who desires a little practice. It is, usually, not a very difficult matter to do so.

COGNATE WORDS IN ENGLISH AND PERSIAN. E. am-P. am. E. barm, bosom—P. bar, bosom; both from \sqrt{BHER} , to bear. E. be, Skt. $bh\bar{u}$, to be—P. $b\bar{u}$ -dan, to be: -dan is the infin. suffix. E. bear, v.-P. bur-dan. E. bind, v.-P. bandan (for * banddan). E. bore, v., to perforate-P. bur-īdan, to cut, cleave (Zend bar). E. bough, arm (of a tree)—P. bazū, arm (cf. Skt. $b\bar{a}hu$, Gk. $\pi\hat{\eta}\chi vs$). E. bottom (of a thing)—P. bun (Skt. budhna, root). E. brother-P. birādar. E. brow-P. a-brū (Gk. δ-φρύς). E. buck—P. buz, a goat; Zend būza (Skt. bukka, a goat). E. come, v.—P. gām, s., a step, i. e. a coming. E. cow.-P. gau. E. choose, A. S. céosan (cf. Goth. kius-an, L. gus-tare)—P. düst, a friend, i. e. a chosen one (O. Pers. daustar, friend; cf. Skt. jush-ta, beloved, from jush, for * gus, to like. The change from j (for g), to d is curious; cf. E. dew with Jew, as to sound). E. daughter-P. dukhtar. E. doo-m, a judgement; from $\sqrt{dh\bar{e}}$, to place, set—P. $d\bar{a}$ -d, justice; from the same. E. eight—P. hasht, Zend ast-an; cf. Gk. дкты. E. father-P. pidar. E. fern-P. par, a feather; Zend parena. E. five-P. panj. E. foot-P. pāi; Zend pādha; Skt. pāda. E. four-P. chahār; Zend chathware; L. quatuor; Goth. fidwor. E. full-P. pur; Zend perena; L. plenus. E. gall-P. zahra, the gall-bladder; allied to Zend zar-ema, greenness, yellowness; Russ. jelch(e), gall, where j=(zh); Gk. $\chi \circ \lambda - \dot{\gamma}$. E. gold—P. zar, gold; Zend zar-anya; Russ. zol-oto; O. Slav. zlato; Goth. gulth. E. hone-P. sān, a whetstone; Skt. çāna; A. S. hān. E. hund-red, A. S. hund-P. sad; Skt. çata. E. is-P. ast;

L. es-t. E. knee-P. zānū; Zend zhnu; L. genu. E. light-P. rūz, day; L. lux; cf. Zend ruch, to shine, L. luc-ere. E. mother-P. mādar. E. meed, A. S. meord; Goth. mizdo-P. mazd, wages; Zend mīzhda. E. much, mick-le-P. mih. great. E. middle-P. miyan, the middle, s.; Zend maidhyāna, s.; from maidhya, adj.=L. medius. E. mouse-P. mūsh. E. moo-n-P. mā-h, O. Pers. māha, Zend mā-onh. E. mead (a drink)—P. mai, wine; Zend madhu. E. nail (on the hand); A. S. næg-el.—P. nākh-un; Skt. nakh-a, Russ. nog-ot(e). E. navel-P. nāf. E. new-P. nau; Zend nava. E. nine-P. nuh; Zend navan. E. no-P. na. E. quick (alive)-P. zī, life; Zend jī-ti, life; L. uī-ta, life; uīu-us, living. E. queen—P. zan; Zend ghena, a woman. E. same—P. ham-ān. that same; Zend hama; Skt. sama. E. seven-P. haft; Zend haptan; Skt. saptan. E. sister-P. kh(w)āhar, kh'āher; Zend ganhar; Skt. svasr. E. sit-P. ni-shash-tan, to sit down (for *ni-sad-tan); Zend had, to sit (for *sad); Skt. sad. to sit. E. six-P. shash. E. sooth, adj. true; s. truth.-P. hast-ū, truth, allied to hast-ī, existent, being; Zend hañt, being, existent, actual, pres. part. of ah, to be (=Skt. as. to be). E. sow, A. S. sugu-P. khūk; Skt. sūkara, a hog. E. stand-P. i-stā-dan; L. stā-re. E. star-P. i-stār-a. E. sweat, s.—P. khwai; Skt. sveda; cf. W. chwys1, sweat. E. tear, v.—P. dar-īdan; Gk. δέρ-ειν. E. ten—P. dah. E. tooth-P. dandan. E. two-P. dū. E. thirs-ty-P. tish-na, thirsty; Zend tarsh-na, thirst; Skt. tarsha, thirst. E. three-P. sih; Pehlvi si, çi; Zend thri. E. thunder-P. tundar. E. warm-P. garm. E. weave-P. baf-t, woven, bāf-tan, to weave, baf, a weaving instrument; Zend vap, to weave; ub-da (for *vap-ta), woven. E. wind-P. bad; Zend vata. E. worth, to become; A.S. weorth-an.—P. gurd-īdan, to become; Pehlevi vart-ītan; Zend varet. E. wolf-P. gurg; Zend vehrka; Russ. volk(e). E. work.—P. varz-īdan, warz-

^{1 &#}x27;Sw is the regular antecedent of South-walian hw, the North-walian chw of book-Welsh.'—Rhys, Lect. on Welsh Philology, 2nd ed. p. 266.

īdan, to practise, exercise; Zend varez, to work. E. wheel (cognate with Gk. κύκλος)—P. charkh, a wheel; Zend chakhra; Russ. kol-eso. E. white—P. sapeid; Zend cpaēta, white, Skt. cveta. E. yoke—P. yūgh. E. young—P. jawān, javān; Zend yuvan, a young man.

§ 287. I shall now attempt to give a list of words derived from the Persian. An excellent account of Eastern words occurring in French is that by Devic, as printed in the supplement to Littré's French Dictionary. See also the Glossary of Anglo-Indian Words, by Colonel Yule.

As to the period of introduction of the following words, most of them are not found till the modern period, i. e. till after 1500. But there are some interesting exceptions. Thus azure occurs in Chaucer, and even earlier, and is well known as an heraldic term. Caper (the plant) is spelt caperis in Wyclif, Eccl. xii. 5; he also has cynoper, cinnabar; Jer. xxii. 14. Carcase 1 is in Hampole's Prick of Conscience. Check, chess, exchequer, are all in early use. Hazard is in Havelok, 2326; and so is tabour, 2329. Lemon, orange, and peach are all mentioned together in Lydgate (Minor Poems, p. 15). Magic, parvis, taffata, tiger, all occur in Chaucer; as well as cetewale, the M. E. spelling of zedeary. Our earliest Pers. word is paradise, in Layamon, 24122. Rook, as a term in chess, occurs in the Promptorium Parvulorum, but must have been known earlier. Satrap is spelt satrapar and satraper in the Wars of Alexander; Wyclif has the very form satrap, Eng. Works, ed. Matthew, pp. 7, 491. Scarlet occurs in P. Plowman, B. ii. 15.

Many of the words did not reach us directly, but came through various channels, including Greek, Arabic and Turkish; and especially through Latin and the Romance

¹ Carcase is not wholly Persian. It seems to have been from some other source, confused with derivatives of Pers. tarkash, a quiver. See the New E. Dictionary.

languages. These are indicated in the Dictionary, 2nd ed., pp. 759, 835.

§ 288. Word-list. Anil (with Arab. article), whence anil-ine; asparagus1; avadavat (from Ahmed-abad, where Ahmed is Arabic, and abad is Persian); azure. Bakhshish, balas (ruby), bang (Indian hemp, Pers. bang, Urdu bhāng), bashaw, bazaar, bezique (F. besigue, besy, Pers. bázíchi, bází, a game), bezoar, borax, bulbul. Calabash, calender (a kind of wandering monk), caravan, caravanserai, carboy, carcase 2, check, chequer, chess, chicanery (?), cinnabar (cinoper). Demijohn, dervish, divan, durbar: Exchequer, firman, ghoul 3. gypsum, hazard, houri. Jackal, jargonelle, jasmine, jujube, iulep. Khan (an inn, P. khāna, house; also, lord 4, P. khān, lord); khedive, kiosk (Turk., from P.), lascar, laudanum (?), lemon, lilac, lime (the fruit). Magic, mate (at chess), mummy, myrtle. Narghileh (a pipe, see Devic), nilghau. Orange, ounce (the quadruped; of doubtful origin). Paradise (or parvis), parasang 5, Parsee, pasha, peach, peri 6, pistachio. Rice, rook (at chess). Sandal (?), saraband, sash, satrap, scarlet, scimetar, sepoy, serai, shah ', shawl, spinach, tabour (or tambour), taffeta, tambourine, tiara,

¹ Doubtful; Justi gives Zend *cparegha*, the barb of an arrow, lit. a sprout, from the verb *cpareg*, to sprout, and compares it with Gk. ἀσπάραγοs. Cf. Pers. *ispargham*, the name of an odoriferous herb (Richardson).

² See note on previous page.

³ An Arabic word; but Devic says the Arab. word is of Pers. origin.

⁴ But khan, in the sense of 'lord,' is of Tatar origin.

⁵ Mod. Pers. farsang; Justi, s. v. açan, says that Zend açan, a stone, is the P. sang, a stone; and that parasang means 'from the milestones,' i. e. from mark to mark; the prep. being, apparently, Zend pairi, sometimes used in the sense of 'from.'

⁶ Zend pairika, the name of a race of evil female spirits, who deceived men by their beauty; afterwards, in the later mythology, a race of beautiful fairies. From the root par, in the sense 'to overpower.'

⁷ Shortened from O. Pers. khsāyathiya, king, ruler; from khsi, to rule (Skt. kshi).

tiger¹, tulip, turban, turquoise. Van (short for caravan), zamindar, zanana, zedoary, Zend.

§ 289. I have not included giaour, with its variant gueber, fire-worshipper, as it seems to be of Arabic origin (§ 305).

The list might be considerably extended by adding less usual words, such as: mohur, a gold coin, P. muhr, muhur; pillau, from P. pilav, pilāv, a dish of rice and meat; shekarry, from P. shikāri, a hunter, sportsman; sirdar, the head of a set of palanquin-bearers, from P. sardār, chief; sofla, soflah, a student (Turkish, from Persian); sophy (see Yule); &c.

§ 290. Table of Substitution of Consonants.

I append a table of the more usual substitution of consonants; to be compared with that in vol. i. p. 125.

Aryan.	Skt.	Zend.	Persian.	Teutonic.
G	;	z, zh	z	K
K	ç, sh	ç, s	s	(KH)H
GH	h	z	z	G
Gw	g, j	g(gh), j	g, z	Q, K
Q	k, ch	k, ch, s	ch, z	(KHw)Hw
GHw	gh, h	g, j, zh	g	(Gw)G
D	d	d	d	T
T	t	t	t, d	TH
DH	dh	d	d	D
B	b	b	b	P
P	p	p	P	(PH)F
BH	bh	b	b	B

¹ Zend tighri, an arrow (from its swiftness); the orig. sense is 'pointed,' from tij (=Skt. tig), to be sharp, for *stig; co-radicate with E. stick, sting.

In the P. sih, for 'three,' the Aryan T (here Zend th) is changed to s. We should also observe the frequent change of Aryan S to P. h, as in P. haptan, seven; and its occasional change to sh, as in mūsh, a mouse. The former change is common in Zend, as in the root ah (for as), to be. Very curious is the change of Aryan SW to Zend q, P. kh, as in Skt. svasr (sister), Zend qanhar, P. kh'āher. Also, of Aryan KW to Zend çp, as in Skt. çveta, Zend çpaēta, P. sapeid, E. white; Skt. açva, Zend açpa, P. asp, L. equus. We may also note the occurrence of Zend v, P. b or g, for W; as in Zend. vāta, P. bād, E. wind; P. gurg, E. wolf. So also rose is derived (through French, Latin, and Greek) from Armenian (and Arab.) ward, which in P. becomes gul.

& 291. Sanskrit. It might be supposed that all words borrowed from Sanskrit must have been borrowed since 1757, the date of the battle of Plassey, and the beginning of our dominion in India. But languages of Sanskrit origin have existed there all the while, and several Sanskrit words found their way to England during the middle ages, more or less disguised in a Latin or French dress. Thus the alliterative romance of Alexander and Dindimus, translated from the Latin in the middle of the 14th century, tells us about "the Bragmanus pore," i.e. the poor Brahmins, where the Latin original has Bragmani. Indeed, the name Dindimus, who was a supposed king of the Brahmins, is of Sanskrit origin; the Latin text has Dandamis, which is just the Skt. dandin, one who bears a mace, from danda, a mace, sceptre, staff of justice, from the root dand, to chastise; it was also used to signify an ascetic, or religious devotee, one in the fourth (and highest) stage of Brahminical life. See Manu, vi. 52. The words hemp and pepper, both of Sanskrit origin, found their way into Greek and Latin, and thence into Anglo-Saxon. The words beryl and nard occur in the Vulgate version of the Bible, and in Wyclif's translation. Ginger is mentioned in the Ancren Riwle, p. 370. Sendal

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(fine stuff), sugar, and sulphur occur in Chaucer. Mace (the spice) is mentioned in the Liber Albus, p. 230, and in Mandeville's Travels, c. 18.

§ 292. Word-list. The following is a list of the principal words from this source.

Algum, avatar, banyan, brahmin, beryl (whence brilliant), camphor, candy, carmine, champak, cheeta ¹, chintz, cowry ², crimson, ghee ¹, ginger, hemp, indigo, jaggery ¹, juggernaut ¹, jungle, kermes, lac (shell-lac), lac (of rupees), lacquer (or lacker), lake (the colour), loot (Hind.), mace (the spice ³), mandarin, musk, muscadel (or muscatel), mascadine, nard, nautch ¹, paddy (Malay), palanquin, pawnee (Hindustani), pepper, punch (the liquor), pundit, punkah, rajah, rajpoot (Hindustani), rupee, saccharine, sandal (wood), Sanskrit, sendal (or cendal), sugar, sulphur, suttee, Veda.

§ 293. No doubt the list might be increased. The curious term eagle-wood, as another name for aloes-wood (Aloexylon agallochum) is due to a corruption of its Skt. name aguru (lit. 'not heavy'). The Deccan means' the right hand,' hence 'the South,' with reference to a person who turns eastward. Gunny, a coarse kind of sacking, is from Hind. gonī, Skt. goní, a sack. Mahout, an elephant-driver, is the Hind. mahāwat, Skt. mahā-mātra, lit. 'great in measure,' a high officer, so applied. Nirvana, is the Skt. nir-vāna, lit. 'being blown out' or 'being extinguished,' hence 'final beatitude'; from nis, out, and vā, to blow. Sikh is, literally, 'disciple'; cf. Skt. cishya, disciple; from çās, to teach.

§ 294. But the principal use of Skt. is in comparative

¹ See Yule's Anglo-Indian Glossary; also my Concise Etym. Dict. 3rd ed. 1887. Cf. § 296, p. 414.

² I have given cowry from Hind kaurī, a small shell. This is right so far; but the Hind. word is from Skt. kaparda, with the same sense.

³ The real history of *mace* is unknown; it would seem that Skt. may have originated some terms that were confused with it. The true Arab. name is *basbāsah*.

philology. The extreme fullness and excellent preservation of its forms and inflexions are often of great assistance. It frequently preserves consonants that are lost in Greek; on the other hand, Greek has best preserved the Aryan vowels, whereas Sanskrit has reduced the five primary short vowels $\check{\alpha}$, \check{e} , \check{r} , \check{o} , \check{u} to only three primary short vowels, viz. \check{a} , $\check{\epsilon}$, and \check{u} . The Skt. \bar{e} and \bar{o} are both long, and result from diphthongs or vowel-combinations. It must, however, be added that the original Aryan had original long vowels and original diphthongs as well as the five short vowels. It is, of course, impossible to enter further, in this place, into this extremely important subject. Some further information is given in vol. i, in Chapters VII and VIII.

§ 295. Hindustani. It is convenient to consider here the few English words of Hindustani origin.

Besides Sanskrit, which is strictly a literary language, various vernacular languages are spoken in India, which are of Aryan origin, and are allied to, rather than descended from, the classical Sanskrit. The chief of these are Hindi, Hindustani or Urdu, Bengali, Punjabi, Sindhi, Gujarathi, Mahrathi, and Uriya.

Hindi chiefly confines itself to terms of native or Sanskrit origin, avoiding much admixture of foreign terms, and it employs the Sanskrit character. Hindustani or Urdu (i.e. the 'camp' language, from the Tatar $\bar{u}rd\bar{u}$, a camp, an army, E. horde) is of a very mixed character, being largely made up of Persian, Arabic, and Tatar words grafted upon the old Hindi stock ¹. It employs the Persian alphabet, with the addition of the three cerebral letters, t, d, and r, distinguished from t, d, and r by being marked with four dots. It is remarkable for being very widely diffused throughout India, and for being more generally understood than any other medium of communication. As, however, it contains a large non-Aryan element, it may well be the case that

¹ English Cyclopædia, Supp., art. Hindustani.

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some of the words borrowed from it are not of Aryan origin. The present place is, nevertheless, the most convenient place for considering it.

§ 296. Word-list. The following words appear to be of Hindustani origin.

Anna (or ana), bandanna, bangle, chutny, dacoit, dawk, gavial, ghaut, nullah, puggry (or puggery), shampoo, thug, toddy, topee (a hat, Hind. topī), wallah (in the hybrid term competition-wallah').

Also the following, borrowed from or due to Sanskrit:—cheeta, chintz, cowry, ghee, gunny, loot, mahout, nautch, pawnee, rajpoot. See §§ 292, 293.

For further information as to these words, see my Concise Etym. Dict., 3rd ed., and especially Yule's Glossary of Anglo-Indian Words.

§ 297. Hindi, Bengali, and Marathi. The word rum, adj., in the sense of 'queer,' is of Gypsy origin, answering to the Hindi dom, with initial cerebral d, Skt. domba, a man of low caste, who makes his living by singing and dancing (see Dict.). Bungalow and dingy are of Bengali origin; and so is tom-tom, according to H. H. Wilson; though, as the word is of imitative origin, it belongs, as Yule remarks, 'to no language in particular.' Patchouli answers to Bengali pachapāt (Yule); and, as it is also called patch-leaf, it is just possible that the final syllable -li is a corruption of the English leaf.

According to H. H. Wilson, pice is of Marathi origin; Yule gives it as Hindustani.

The word jaggery is a Canarese form, though it is not Dravidian, but Aryan; being a mere corruption of the Skt. çarkarā, whence also the E. form sugar.

CHAPTER XXI.

THE SEMITIC ELEMENT.

§ 298. It was once a fashion to derive native English words from Latin, native Latin words from Greek, and native Greek words from Hebrew, with the surprising result that native English words were derived from Hebrew by three removes, each of which required that any needful amount of violence might be done to the form of a word. This sort of thing is even yet not quite extinct. Thus, in Dr. Charnock's Nuces Etymologicæ, published in 1889, we are assured that filbert is derived from Lat. nux Avellana. which passed through the following imaginary changes; first of all English people said Avel nut (of which no instance is recorded), then velnut (equally unauthorised), then felnut (unrecorded), then filnut (unrecorded), then filmud (unrecorded), then filbud (unrecorded), then filberd, and finally filbert. Similarly, we learn from the same source that the E. herring is derived, through the Low Latin forms harenga, harenge, harence, harece, harecis, from the Lat. halecis, gen, case of halex, or alex, pickle, which is from the Gk. ahak, ahas, ahas, gen. of ahs, the sea. We have, accordingly, to suppose that a herring is a pickled fish derived from the salt sea.

The fact is, however, that, but for the influence of the Bible, and Eastern commerce, English, as being one of the Aryan languages, would have been almost wholly uninfluenced by languages of the Semitic family. The chief point of con-

tact between Aryan and Semitic is seen in Greek, which borrowed several words from the latter stock.

§ 299. The Semitic family of languages, so called from Shem, the son of Noah, may be divided into four principal classes, as follows. (1) The recently discovered Babylonian and Assyrian. (2) The Aramæan, including Syriac and the so-called Chaldee; with the allied Samaritan. (3) The Hebrew; to which are closely related the Moabite, the Phœnician, and the Punic. (4) The Arabic, the sacred language of the Moslems, existing both as a literary language and in a great variety of spoken dialects; and the Ethiopic.

It may be remarked here that many terms and phrases, familiar to us from their occurrence in the New Testament, belong rather to Aramaic or Syriac than to Hebrew. They are discussed in Kautzsch's Grammatik des Biblisch-Aramaischen, Leipzig, 1884, pp. 8-12, who calls the New Testament words Western Aramaic. Such are: Abba, father, (abbā)1; aceldama, field of blood (khaqal, field, demā, blood); bar, son (bar); Beelzebul, probably an altered form of Beelzebub (beel zebūb, lord of flies); Bethesda (beith khesda, house of grace); Boanerges; Cephas (keiphā, rock), Gabbatha (gabethā, an elevated place, related to Heb. gab, something arched); Golgotha (gulgaltā, Syr. gāgultā, Heb. gulgoleth, a skull); ephphatha (ethphatakh, be thou opened; cf. Heb. pāthakh, to open); mammon, riches (mamona); Martha, lady (from mar, lord); Messiah, anointed (meshīkhā, Heb. māshi(a)kh); pascha, passover (Heb. pesakh); Rabboni, my master (cf. rabbi); Raca, foolish, lit. empty (cf. Heb. reiq); Tabitha, a gazelle (cf. Heb. tsebī). Also the phrases Eloi, Eloi, lama sabachthani, an Aramaic rendering of the first verse of the twentysecond psalm; talitha cumi, damsel, arise; Maranatha, our Lord cometh (māran, our Lord, athā, cometh). See also Castle's Syriac Lexicon, ed. Michaelis, 2 vols. 4to; Göttingen, 1788.

¹ For the key to the transliteration here used, see § 300 below.

§ 300. The Hebrew words in English are almost wholly due to the Bible. The Authorised Version was made from the original texts, so that several words have thus been immediately introduced into English, or have been altered back again into a shape more closely resembling the Hebrew. But several of the words had long been current in English, having been borrowed from the Latin forms in the Vulgate Version, or even from Greek forms, or from the French. See Chapter X above. For example, the word balsam has come to us from Hebrew through Greek and Latin. and has also reached us in the contracted French form halm. full account of the channels through which Hebrew words have thus reached us is given in my Dictionary; particularly p. 760 of the second edition. I shall now give the word-list, marking the words that have reached us indirectly with the symbols 'Gk.', 'L.', or 'F.', as each case requires. The unmarked words seem to have been borrowed immediately. Many of the words are accounted for in Smith's Dictionary of the Bible. The student may advantageously consult the Thesaurus ling. Hebr. et Chald. by Gesenius, and the 11th edition of his Hebr. u. Chald, Handwörterbuch (1890). In transcribing Hebrew words, I adopt the following alphabet: a [e, &c.], b, g, d, h, v, z, kh, t, y, k,l, m, n, s, ', p, ts, q, r, sh or s, t. When the letters b, k, p, t, are not dotted, I denote them by v, kh, ph, th. This gives two uses of v and kh, but does not cause much practical difficulty, as our Hebrew words are, after all, by no means I have often further got rid of t and s by mentioning that teth or samech is intended, in the few instances where one of them occurs.

§ 301. Hebrew Word-list. Alleluia, alphabet (L., Gk.), amen (Gk.), balm (F., L., Gk.), balsam (L., Gk.), bath (a measure), bedlam, behemoth, cab (a measure), cabal (F.),

¹ Not a true Heb. word, but borrowed from Egyptian p-ehe-mau, water-ox, hippopotamus; see Gesenius, 9th ed., p. 94.

camel (F., L., Gk.), cassia (L., Gk.), cherub,¹ cider (F., L., Gk.), cinnamon, cummin (L., Gk.), delta (Gk.), ebony (F., L., Gk.),² elephant (F., L., Gk.), ephah (perhaps Egyptian), ephod, gauze,³ gopher, hallelujah, Hebrew, hin (perhaps Egyptian), homer, hosanna, hyssop (F., L., Gk.), iota, jack (F. Jaques), Jacob, jacobin, Jehovah, jenneting (from F. Jeanneton), jesuit (Sp.), Jesus, Jew, jockey (from Jack), jordan, jot (L., Gk.), jubilee (F., L.), jug (prob. from Judith), lazar (F., L., Gk.), leviathan (L.), Levite (L., Gk.), log (a liquid measure).

Manna (L., Gk.), maudlin (F., L., Gk.), mishna, Nazarite, Pharisee (L., Gk.), purim, rabbi, rabbin (L., Gk.), sabbath (L., Gk.), Sabaoth, Sadducee (L., Gk.), sapphire (F., L., Gk.), Satan, selah, seraph, shekel, Shekinah, shibboleth, shittah (pl. shittim, from Egyptian schonte, a thorn), simony (F., L., Gk.), sodomy (F., L., Gk.), sycamine (L., Gk.), teraphim, thummim, Tom, urim, zany (Ital., Gk.).

The Heb. pl. suffix -im is used in English in the words cherub-im, pur-im (i. e. lots), seraph-im (better than seraph-in), teraph-im, thumm-im, ur-im.

§ 302. Aramaic. A notice of some Aramaic words occurring in the New Testament is given in § 299, and includes a few words and phrases which can hardly be said to be English. The following is the list of words from this source.

Word-list. Abbess (F., L., Gk.), abbey (F., L., Gk.), abbot (L., Gk.), damask (L., Gk.), damson (F., L., Gk.), gehenna, mammon, maranatha, Messiah, muslin (F., Ital.),

¹ Perhaps not Hebrew; it has been connected with the Assyrian Kirubu, the steer-god, the winged guardian at the entrance of the Assyrian palaces. (See my Supplement.)

² Probably a non-Semitic word.

³ From Gaza, Heb. 'azzāh, strong.

^{*} On the supposition that Gk. συκάμινος was formed from Hebshiqmīm, pl. of shiqmāh (Aram. shiqmā), the name of the tree. Prob. confused with συκόμορος, i.e. sycamore.

pasch, paschal, raca, talmud (Chaldee), targum (Chaldee). Here perhaps we may place *scallion* and *shallot*, both derivatives of the place-name *Ascalon*.

§ 303. The words of Arabic origin are, upon the whole, both more numerous and more important than those of Hebrew origin. The latter are mostly due to the Bible, but the former include the names of several substances obtained by importation, and even in quite common use, such as amber, coffee, cotton, myrrh, naphtha, ream, senna, sherbet, sofa, &c. It is curious to notice how many channels have been open for the contribution of Arabic words to English. Some words have reached us from the Levantine trade. through Greek or Italian; others by way of Spain, where the Moors had so long-lasting an influence; and others, more indirectly, by way of France. The close contact between Spanish and Arabic in Spain, and again between Greek and Arabic in the Levant or by means of literature, is worthy of especial notice. In modern times English has borrowed not a few words immediately from Arabic itself. It is also important to observe that several Arabic names of articles of commerce were imported at rather an early date, and it will be interesting to consider such as reached us before A.D. 1500. It is greatly to the credit of the Moors, in particular, that they produced many men learned in such sciences as astronomy and medicine, and well acquainted with the scientific writings of the Greeks. Hence we even find that some Arabic words are borrowed from Greek; as albatross, alchemy, alembic (limbeck), carat, elixir, talisman. Some also are of Persian origin; as azure, borax, calabash, candy (really Sanskrit), hazard, tabour, and perhaps spinage. Consequently, they are excluded from the list in § 305.

§ 304. Early Borrowings. The earliest words of Arab. origin are *admiral* and M. E. *maumet* (an idol, lit. Mahomet or Mohammed); both in Layamon's *Brut*. In Morris's Old

Eng. Homilies we find myrrh and saffron (ii. 45, 163). In the Ancren Riwle, p. 382, we have mate, adj., confounded; the same word as E. mate in chess. Jasper occurs in the Allit. Poems, i. 999; and Saracen in Rich. Cuer de Lion, 2436. Rose already occurs in A.S., but it is difficult to know whether the word is of Armenian or of Arabic origin. Chaucer has rather a large number of Arabic words, viz. alkali, alkoran, azimuth, diaper, elixir (Gk.), jasper, mate (in check-mate), nadir, racket (racket-bat), realgar (spelt resalgar), rose (?), saffron, sultan (M. E. soudan), tartar (acid salt), zenith. Mandeville has cotoun, i. e. cotton; and Trevisa has ambra, i. e. amber (see New E. Dict.). Amulet is spelt amalet in 1447 (Murray); mattress is spelt matras in 1424 (see my Supplement); and sumach is symach in the Liber Albus, p. 224. Note the frequent occurrence of the def. art. al, the.

§ 305. In tracing Arabic words, the most helpful book is the Dictionnaire Étymologique des Mots d'origine Orientale by Marcel Devic, in the Supplement to Littré's French Dictionary. Another valuable work is that by Engelmann and Dozy, entitled Glossaire des mots Espagnols et Portugais dérivés de l'Arabe. The most useful Dictionary is that by Richardson, as edited by Johnson in 1829.

Word-list. Admiral (F.), afreet, alcayde (Sp.), alcohol (F.), alcove (Sp.), algebra, alguazil (Sp.), alkali, alkoran, Allah, amber (F., Sp.), ameer, amulet (?), arabesque (F., It.), arrack, arsenal (Sp.), artichoke (It., Sp.), assassin (F.), atabal (Sp.), attar, azimuth.

Baldachin (Ital.), basil (leather, F., Sp.), Bedouin (F.), benzoin (F., Sp.), bonito (Sp.), botargo (It.2), burnouse (F.), cadi, calif (F.), carafe (F., Sp.), caraway or carraway (Sp.), carob (tree), cid (Sp.), cipher (F.), civet (F.), coffee, cotton (F., Sp.), cubeb (F., Sp.), diaper (F., It., L., Gk.), drago-

¹ Arab. 'ifrīt, a demon.

² But probably the Arab. word is of Greek origin, with the Coptic article (Devic).

man (Sp., Gk.), emir, fanfare (F., Sp.), fakir or faquir (F.), fardle (F.), fellah, felucca, furl (F.).

Galingale (F., Sp.), garbage (F., Sp.), garble (F., Sp.), gazelle (F.), genet (F., Sp.), genie *or* jinn, giaour (Pers.), gueber (Pers.), ghazel (a love-song), hadji *or* hajji (a pilgrim), harem, hashish, hegira, hookah, howdah, imam *or* imaum, iradè (imperial decree in Turkey), jar, jasper (F., L., Gk.), jennet (gennet), jerboa, jereed, jinn (a demon), Koran.

Lacquey (F., Sp.), lute (F.), magazine, Mahometan, mameluke (F.), marabout ⁴ (F.), maravedi (Sp.), marcassite, ⁵ mask (F., Sp.), masquerade (F., Sp.), mate (F., Pers., in *check-mate*), mattress (F.), minaret (Sp.), mohair *or* moire (F.), monsoon (It.), moonshee, moslem, mosque (F., Sp.), muezzin, mufti, mussulman (Pers.), myrrh (F., L., Gk.), nabob (Hind.), nadir, naker (kettle-drum), natron, nitre (F., L., Gk.), nizam (Pers.), ogee (F., Sp.), ogive (F., Sp.), omrah, otto, rack (spirit), racket (a bat, F., Sp.), Ramadan, rayah, realgar (F., Sp.), ream (F., Sp.), rebeck, rob (conserve of fruit), rose (?), ⁶ ryot.

Saffron (F.), sahib (Hind.), saker (falcon), salaam, saracen, sarcenet (F., L.), senna (Ital.), sequin (F.), sheik, sherbet, shrub (in rum-shrub), sicca (in sicca-rupee), simoon, sirocco (Ital.), sofa, sultan (F.), sumach (F., Sp.), syrup (F., Sp.). tabby (F., Sp.), talc (F., Sp.), taraxacum, tare (in merchandise, F., Sp.), tariff (F., Sp.), tartar (acid salt, F., L.), tutty (oxide of zinc, see Devic), visier, wady (Ar. wādī, a valley), zariba (slight defence), zenith (F., Sp.), zero (F.)

- ¹ Giaour is from the Pers. gāwr, an infidel, another form of gueber or guebre, Pers. gebr, gabr, an infidel, a fire-worshipper; but these are said to be from Arab. kāfir, an infidel.
 - ² Arab. ghazal, a love-song, kind of sonnet.
 - 3 Arab. irādat, irāda, will, wish.
- ⁴ F. marabout, Arab. morābiţ, lit. quiet, still; hence a saint, among the Berbers.
- 5 Iron pyrites; Arab. marqachītha (Devic); cf. Pers. marqashīshā (Richardson); whence Ital. marcassita, F. marcassite.
- ⁶ F. rose, L. rosa, from Gk. βόδον, Æol. βρόδον; borrowed either from Arab. or Armenian ward, rose.

Here belong also the Moorish words assagai and fez; and the Algerian words razzia and Zouave.

The word *barberry* is found to be *not* of Arabic origin, as is usually said.

§ 306. The list might be increased. Thus the word fives in Shakespeare, used with reference to a disease in horses (Tam. Shrew, iii. 2. 54) is a corruption of vives, shortened from avives, which is the F. avives, from Span. adivas, 'squinancie in a beast' (Minsheu); which, again, is from Arab. ad-dhība, the name of the same malady; as shown by Devic. See also bougie in Devic, and bedeguar in the New E. Dict.

We might also add a number of words formerly used in alchemy, as *aludel* and *athanor*, both in Ben Jonson's Alchemist, *azoth*, i. e. mercury, &c. Also a large number of names of stars, as *Aldebaran*, *Altair*, &c.; see the lists in Devic, under *Alchimie* and *Astronomie*.

It has been explained, in § 303, that some words have been omitted, which ultimately belong to some other language. In the same way, we cannot claim tamarind as pure Arabic, because the last syllable of the word is Persian. Begum, again, is also a hybrid word, being partly Turkish and partly Arabic; whilst check-mate and seraskier are partly Persian and partly Arabic. Quintal is mere Latin. There are a few other similar words which it is difficult to class.

§ 307. The student will be much assisted in verifying the above results by a knowledge of a few elementary points of grammar.

The Persian alphabet contains the same characters as the Arabic, but with some additions, and some modifications in the sounds which the characters denote. In § 285 I have given the Pers. alphabet in the form: $a \ [\bar{a}, \&c.], b, p, t, \bar{s}, j, ch, h, kh, d, \dot{z}, r, z, zh, s, sh, s, z, t, \dot{z}, ', gh, f, q, k, g, l, m, n, w [u], h, y [\bar{\imath}].$ The additional letters are p, ch, zh, and g, making 32 instead of 28. Hindustani adds yet three more letters, viz. the cerebral t, d, and r. Again, Arabic

pronounces \dot{s} as E. th in thin (th), and \dot{z} as E. th in this (dh), so that the symbols th and dh may very well be employed instead of the awkward \dot{s} and \dot{z} in Arabic words. It also has peculiar pronunciations of z and \dot{z} ; so that the four letters which in Persian are all pronounced as E. z are distinguished in Arabic, where only z is pronounced as E. z, the others having different sounds.

§ 308. The Arabic root is totally different in conception from the Aryan root. The latter is a simple monosyllable, but the latter is said, in general, to be triliteral. every word is generally referred to a root consisting of three radical letters, grouped together in an unpronounceable form. Thus the root a,t,l or atl suggests the idea of 'killing,' but must be provided with vowels before it can be used, or even pronounced. The simplest form is made by supplying the vowel a thrice, thus producing the form qatala, with the sense 'he killed,' being the third person singular of the past tense. This convenient form may be taken as representing the root, and is usually given in Dictionaries; and other forms are obtained from it by varying the vowels. If the first a be lengthened, the second changed to i, and the third dropped, we shall get the agential form. Thus qātil is 'one killing'; and we should get a similar agential form from any other root in the same way. For example, the root f, ', l, to do, will yield the pt. t. fa'ala, he did, and the agential form fā'il, 'one doing.' If one of the letters of the root be \bar{a} , w, or v, the forms may be somewhat modified, but the principle is the same. Other forms, from the last root, are: the aorist, yaf'ulu; the imperative uf'ul; the noun of action, fa'l, 'a doing'; &c. But the most important for the English student are the passive participle, of the form maf' ūl, and the 'noun of place or time, of the form maf'al; because this prefixing of the syllable ma- may make it necessary to drop the prefix before the root can be looked for in the Dictionary. Moreover, the prefix sometimes appears as mo- or mu-. We have

the following examples. Magazine is from Arab. makhasīn, pl. of makhzen, a place where things are stored; and, this being a 'noun of place,' ma- is only a prefix, and the triliteral root is kh, z, n, as in khazana, he laid up in store. From the same root is khizānat, also used in the sense of magazine or storehouse. Again, Mohametan is an inferior spelling of Mohammed-an, formed from the name Muhammad or Mohammad, signifying 'the praised,' or 'the praiseworthy'; from the root h, m, d, appearing in hamada, he praised. Mameluke is a purchased slave, lit. 'possessed'; from m, l, k, as in malaka, he possessed. So again, mattress is from Arab. matrah, a place where a thing is thrown down; from taraha, he threw down. Minaret is from menāra(t), a light-house, place where there is a lamp; from $n\bar{a}r$, to shine, or a fire. Monsoon, from Arab. mawsim, a fixed season, is from the root wasama, he marked. Similarly, a Moslem or Mussulman is one who makes a profession of Islam, i.e. 'resignation to the will of God'; which (like salaam and salem, i.e. peace) is from the root salama, he saluted. Mosque, Arab. mesjid, a place to pray in, is from sajada, he prostrated himself. Muezzin, the crier of a mosque, is connected with adhān, the call to prayers, and udhn, the ear; all from adhina, he listened. (Here the dh is the Pers. z; see § 307 above). Mufti, from Arab. muffi, a magistrate, is allied to fatwa, a judgment, The careful observance of such derivations is important; because all words of this character are sure to be pure Arabic, and not borrowed from Persian. No Arvan sb. would be formed in such a manner

CHAPTER XXII.

THE FINNO-TATARIC AND VARIOUS ASIATIC ELEMENTS.

§ 309. We find in Europe some languages of non-Aryan origin, from which English has borrowed just a few words. The only languages we need consider here are the Turkish, and the Hungarian or Magyar. These belong to what has been called the Finno-Tataric or Ural-Altaic family of languages, corresponding to what is described in Max Müller's Lectures on Language (Lect. 8) as constituting the 'Northern division of the Turanian languages.' It is, however, now proved that this 'Northern division' contains a complete family in itself, and is quite independent of the other languages of the 'Southern division' mentioned in the same chapter. Accordingly, it is now usual to drop the misleading name 'Turanian' altogether. See, on this point, The Science of Language, by A. Hovelacque, translated by A. H. Keane, London, 1877.

Turkish, or Osmanli, belongs to the Turkic group, which also includes the idioms of the Tatar tribes; whilst Hungarian belongs to the Finnic group of the above family. The Turkic tribes originally occupied a large portion of Central Asia, and their original point of departure is generally said to be Turkestan, in Tatary. The reader may consult Hovelacque, as above, or Lecture 8 in Max Müller's Lectures, where some of the characteristics of Turkish grammar are given. In tracing Turkish words, help is to be had from

the work by Marcel Devic, mentioned above, in § 305; and from the Dictionnaire Turc-Arabe-Persan by J. T. Zenker, published at Leipzig in r866-76. Most Turkish words have been borrowed immediately; a few have reached us through French, &c., as marked below.

§ 310. Turkish Word-list. Agha or aga (chief officer), ataghan (better spelt yataghan), Bairam (a Mohammedan festival), bey, bosh (Turk. bosh, empty, worthless), caftan, caïque (same as ketch), caviare (F., Ital.), chagrin (the same word as shagreen), chibouk or chibouque, chouse (?), ¹ dey, dolman (F., from Turk. dolāmān, a sort of robe), horde, janizary (F., Ital.), ketch, odalisque (F.), ottoman (F.), sanjak, shagreen, uhlan (G., Polish), yataghan, xebec (Sp.).

We have also borrowed some words from Turkish that are not really original in that language. Thus the common word effendi, for 'sir' or 'mister,' Turk. ēfendi, is a mere adaptation of Gk. αφέντης, a modern form of Gk. αὐθέντης, originally a despotic ruler, or master. Kiosk, a small pavilion, F. kiosque, is from a Turkish pronunciation of Pers. kūshk, a villa. Raki, Turk. rāgī, arrack, is from the same Arabic word as E. arrack. Coffee, Turk. gahveh, is from Arab. qahweh. Begum, Pers. begum, is from a mixture of Turkish and Arabic; from Turk. beg, bey, a bey, governor, and Arab. um, umm, mother; lit. 'governor's mother'; a title of rank. Seraskier is a Turk. form of Pers. ser asker, a general, or military chief; a hybrid formation from Pers. ser or sar, head, and Arab. 'asker or 'askar, an army. Turks insert a very short i after k, both in this word and in kiosk above. The word Turk (whence turkey, turquoise) is really a Tatar word, from the Tatar turk, brave. In Turkish, a Turk is called 'osmān; and Turkey is 'osmānli vilaieti.

 $^{^1}$ Usually derived from Turk. $ch\bar{a}^{\epsilon}ush,\, u$ sergeant, which is identified with chiaus in Ben Jonson.

² A sub-division of a province, from Turk. sanjāq, a standard, originally the standard of the governor of such a district (Devic).

§ 311. The number of words borrowed from Hungarian is very small. The book of reference which I have consulted is Dankovsky's Magyar Lexicon, published at Presburg in 1833. I have only found the following.

Hungarian Word-list. Hussar, Tokay; sabre, sabretache (both, through French and German); shako (through French). Even of these, it is not certain that *sabre* is a true Maygar word; it does not seem to have been clearly traced to its origin.

§ 312. Passing over to Asia, we may first consider the languages of Tatary (usually misspelt Tartary, by a sorry misconception that connects it with *Tartarus*!) These also belong, as said above, to the Turkic group of the Finno-Tataric family, and the following words are derived from them.

Tatar Word-list. Cossack (through Russian); khan (a lord, whence Genghis Khan, lit. 'great lord,' a mere title rather than a name); mammoth (through Russian); mogul (i. e. Mongolian); tartar; turk; turquoise.

§ 313. We may next consider the so-called Dravidian languages of Southern India, which are entirely distinct from those of Sanskrit or Aryan origin. They are classed by Max Müller as belonging to the 'Southern division of Turanian languages,' but are really quite distinct from several of the languages there mentioned, as well as from those in the 'Northern division' of the same, as noted in § 300. The six chief languages of this group, as described by Caldwell, are: (1) Canarese, on the Western coast, to the South of Goa and extending over the plateau of Mysore; (2) Malayalam, on the same coast, still further South, in Travancore; (3) Telugu, on the Eastern coast, to the South of Cicacole; (4) Tamil, still further South, in the greater part of the Carnatic, including Madras; (5) and (6) Tulu and Kudagu, comparatively unimportant. The most helpful books are: the Glossary of Indian Terms, by H. H. Wilson,

London, 1855; the Glossary of Anglo-Indian Terms, by Yule and Burnell, London, 1886; and the Comparative Grammar of the Dravidian languages, by the Rev. R. Caldwell, London, 1856. As far as I can ascertain, the following are the words derived from Dravidian sources.

§ 314. Dravidian Word-list. Western. (1) Canarese: jaggery; but this is only borrowed from Skt. çarkarā. (2) Malayālam: areca (through Portuguese); betel (through Portuguese); teak.

Eastern. (3) Telugu: bandicoot, mungoose. (4) Tamil: catamaran (much used at Madras); curry (for meat, lit. 'sauce'); cheroot; cooly; godown (a warehouse, Malay gadong, from Tamil kidangu, a place where goods lie, from kidu, to lie); mango; mulligatawny; pariah; tope (in the sense of mango-orchard, or orchard). Also pea- in pea-cock, which attests the antiquity of Tamil, from which even Sanskrit itself has borrowed several words. On the other hand E. cash, i. e. a small Indian coin, Tamil kāsu, is from Skt. karsha.

- § 315. Other Indian languages. We have a few words from various languages of India, besides those of Aryan origin, and those mentioned just above. Thus polo (the game), is from the Balti name of the ball used in the game; this language is spoken in the high valley of the Indus (Yule). The words anaconda and tourmaline are Cingalese. The word atoll, as applied to coral reefs, is an expression obtained from the Maldive Islands, where the language is allied to Cingalese.
- § 316. The most important, for English, of the Southern Asiatic languages, is Malay. This language, though belonging to the Malayo-Polynesian group, which is independent of all other linguistic systems, employs the Arabic alphabet. There is an excellent Malay-English Dictionary by Marsden, London, 1812; and a Malay-Dutch Dictionary by Pijnappel, Am-

 $^{^1}$ Distinct from tope, a dome, used in the N. W. Punjab; locally $t\bar{o}p$, from Skt. $st\bar{u}pa$, a heap, pile.

sterdam, 1875. Malay words are also to be found in Devic's Glossary, as printed in the Supplement to Littré's French Dictionary; and in Yule's Glossary of Anglo-Indian words.

§ 317. Malay Word-list. Amok (or a-muck), babiroussa,¹ bamboo, caddy, cajeput or cajuput (a tree yielding aromatic oil, from Malay kāyu, tree, wood, pūti(h), white), cassowary, catechu (Malay kāchu), cockatoo, crease or creese (sword), dugong, gecko, gong, gutta-percha, junk (a kind of ship),² lory, mango, mangrove (for mang-grove?), muck (a-muck), orang-outang, paddy (Malay pādī, perhaps of Skt. origin), proa, ratafia (through French), rattan, sago, siamang (an ape found in Sumatra, Malay siāmang), tripang (the sea-slug, Malay trīpang), upas.

The word *Papuan*, applied to an inhabitant of New Guinea (whence *Papua* as a name for the island itself), is from the Malay *papūah*, short form of *pūah-pūah*, with curly hair. Owing to the remarkable thickly curled hair of this people, a Papuan is called in Malay *orang papūah*, a curly-haired man (Devic).

Devic suggests that the difficult word carrack (O. F. carraque, Span. and Port. carraca) is a variant of Span. caracoa, 'a sort of large Indian boat' (Pineda), Port. coracora or corocora 'a long vessel with oars'; from Arab. qorqūr (pl. qarāqir), a large merchant vessel, not an original Arab. word, but borrowed from Malay korakōra, with a like sense; to which, indeed, the Port. coracora exactly and obviously corresponds. The Portuguese may have imported the word directly, and the Span. forms caracoa, carraca may have been taken from Portuguese, without bringing in the Arabic word at all. The E. word is in early use, as Chaucer employs the form carrik, Cant. Tales, D. 1628.

¹ A kind of wild hog; lit. 'deer-hog'; from Malay bābi, hog, rūsa, deer.

 $^{^2}$ Rather from Javanese jong, Malay $\bar{a}jong,$ than from Chinese ; see Yule.

In my Dictionary, I have given camphor as being of Malay origin, through Arab. $k\bar{a}f\bar{u}r$; but both the Arab. $k\bar{a}f\bar{u}r$ and the Malay $k\bar{a}p\bar{u}r$ appear to be from Skt. $karp\bar{u}ra$, camphor. If so, it is from Sanskrit, through Arabic and French.

The Anglo-Indian tael, a sixteenth part of the weight called a catty (whence E. caddy), is from Malay taïl or tahil (Yule); but the Malay word is from Skt. tolaka, a weight, from Skt. tul, to lift (cf. L. tollere). So too the Anglo-Indian tombak, a kind of brass, Port. tambaca, is from Malay tambāga, copper; but the Malay word is of Skt. origin; cf. Skt. tāmraka, copper, tāmra, copper-red, tāmasa, dark, allied to tamas, darkness (L. tenebræ, E. dim).

§ 318. Java, Annam, Burmah. From Java we have the word bantam (a place-name): from Cambodia, in Annam, the word gamboge. And perhaps we may consider junk as Javanese; see p. 429, n. 2. Woon is from Burmese wun, a governor or officer of administration (Yule). Dacoit is not Burmese, but Hindustani.

§ 319. China, Japan, and Tibet. From China we have the following words: china, Chinese, gobang (a game introduced from Japan, but from Chinese k'i-p'an, 'checkerboard,' according to Yule), kowtow or kotow (salutation by prostration, from the Chinese k'o-t'ou, lit. 'knock-head,' because the forehead touches the ground, according to Yule), nankeen, tea.

Tea is from the Amoy $t\bar{e}$, variant of the more usual ch'a, ts'a, whence E. cha (now obsolete). An excellent account of the various kinds of tea is given by Yule (s. v. tea). Among these we may notice Bohea, from the Wu-i (dialectally $B\bar{u}-\bar{i}$) mountains in the N.W. of Fuh-kien, a province on the S.E. coast of China. Congou tea, from Amoy kang-hu $t\bar{e}$, where kang-hu is for kung-fu, lit. 'work' or 'labour'; said to be so called from the labour bestowed upon it. Hyson, from he (or $he\bar{i}$)-ch'un, lit. 'bright spring.' Oolong, from wu-lung, lit. 'black dragon.' Pekoe, from Canton pak-ho, for $p\bar{o}h$ -hao,

lit. 'white down.' Southong, from Canton siu-chung, for siao-chung, 'little sort.' Twankay, from the name of a place. The words silk and serge are certainly from Lat. Seres, the Chinese; a word probably of Chinese origin. notwithstanding the fact that the Chinese do not employ the letter r. It has also been supposed that typhoon is from Chin. ta fang, i.e. 'great wind'; but the account in Yule makes it more probable that, like monsoon, it was taken from Arabic, viz. from Arab. tufan, a word habitually used in India for a sudden and violent storm; whence the Port. tufão, the same. The Arab. word is not native, but an adaptation of the Gk. τυφῶν, to which the mod. E. spelling has been made to conform, though it was not, at the time of its first use, borrowed from Greek directly. Hackluyt has the spelling touffon; Purchas has tuffon; Hamilton has tuffoon; other spellings are toofan, toufaun, &c.; see the quotations in Yule. Joss is not Chinese, but Portuguese (Port. Dios, God); and mandarin is from Sanskrit.

From Japanese we have only *bonze* (through Portuguese), and the words *japan* and *soy*.

From Tibetan we have only the words lama, and yak (the name of a species of ox).

§ 320. The Asiatic Islands. We have just a few words from the islands of Southern Asia. It is sufficient to give the lists.

Australian. Boomerang, dingo (?), kangaroo (a name which seems to have originated in some mistake), paramatta, wombat.

Polynesian. Taboo (New Zealand tapu, Solomon Islands tambu). New Zealand: pah (a native fortified camp). Tahitian: tattoo.

CHAPTER XXIII.

THE AFRICAN ELEMENT.

§ 321. The great continent of Africa has contributed very little to the vocabulary of English. In no case has so great an area given us so little help. More than half of the words come from the Northern coast, which lies upon the great Mediterranean Sea.

Egyptian. A few words have come down to us from the ancient language of Egypt, which can be traced back to a remote antiquity. Coptic may be considered as being descended from it, and is useful for comparison. The few words which have reached us have mostly come either (1) through Hebrew, or (2) through Greek. To the former set belong: behemoth, ephah, sack (L., Gk., Heb.), satchel (F., L., Gk., Heb.). To the latter set belong: gum (the substance), gypsy, ibis, oasis, paper, papyrus. Fustian has reached us through French and Italian.

North African. Barbary is represented by barb (a horse); Morocco, by morocco, and by assagai, which came to us through the Portuguese; Fez, by fez, a kind of cap. The word Zouave belongs to the Kabyles, and has been already given as belonging to a branch of Arabic (p. 422).

Zebra, a Portuguese form, is said to be of Ethiopian origin. West Africa is represented by baobab, canary, chimpanzee, and guinea; as well as gorilla, said to belong to an extinct

language. An interesting passage in Hackluyt's Voyages (ii. 2. 129) shows that the long-sought word yam belongs to a language spoken in Benin. Mr. Jas. Welsh is there said to have reported, with respect to the people of Benin: 'their bread is a kind of roots; they call it *Inamia*; and when it is well sodden, I would leave our bread to eat of it; it is pleasant in eating, and light of digestion; the roote thereof is as bigge as a mans arme.' This is obviously the origin of the Portuguese *inhame*, which the English have turned into yam.

The words gnu and quagga, both names of animals, belong to Hottentot. The word Hottentot itself is mere Dutch, viz. hot en tot, hot and tot, where hot, tot are sounds intended to represent stuttering or stammering; so that the name is one of derision.

Quassia is from the negro name Quassi; but the particular negro who discovered its virtues lived in Surinam. Stedman, in his excellent book on Surinam, has told us all about him, and has even preserved for us his portrait.

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CHAPTER XXIV.

THE AMERICAN ELEMENT.

§ 322. We have borrowed words from North America in two ways: (1) immediately, from the so-called 'Indians' of North America; and (2) indirectly, through Spanish or French, from Mexico and the West Indian islands.

Our borrowings from the nomad Indians began with the settlement of Virginia, on which subject we have the interesting Works of Capt. John Smith (1608–1631), who was President of Virginia, and Admiral of New England. These Works were conveniently reprinted by Prof. Arber in 1884, and are thus easily accessible.

In modern times, English has borrowed 'Indian' words of the same character either directly, or from books written by authors resident in the United States or Canada.

Algonquins or Algonkins is the name for a collection of tribes, speaking closely related languages, which formerly extended over the country between Maine and Chesapeake Bay, and from the Atlantic Ocean to Lake Superior; and it is from the various dialects of this scattered nation that our words were mostly taken. These tribes are now still more scattered over various tracts of country, to the north of Lakes Erie and Ontario. Amongst them are the Chippeways, the Delawares, and others whose names are less familiar. The language of the Crees is closely related to Algonkin. Probably the languages have changed considerably since the time

of the earliest settlements. Captain Smith gives some wordlists from the language spoken by the Indians of Virginia, and occasionally quotes Indian words. Thus, at p. 50, he mentions 'a beast they call aroughcun,' spelt aroughcond at p. 207; this is our raccoon or raccoon. At p. 50, he has opassom, i.e. opossum. At p. 207 is moos, i.e. moose. p. 44, he has; 'Tomahacks, axes,' whence tomahawk; also: "Mockasins, shooes." At p. 355, he has mussascus, and at p. 207, musquassus; whence our musquash. There is an Algonquin Dictionary by J. A. Cuoq (Montreal, 1886), and a Cree Dictionary by A. Lacombe (Montreal, 1874); but they do not afford much assistance. In many cases, it is difficult to give the true forms. Cuoq has wikiwam, variant of mikiwam, a house, whence E. wigwam; makisin, a shoe, moccassin; manilo, or manilou, a spirit, or god; and mouz, a moose. The Cree for 'moose' is mouswa, and in the same language wiki means 'his house.' The Cree iskwew, a woman, is related to squaw.

§ 323. The list of these terms would appear to be as follows. North-American Indian Word-list. Caucus, hominy, manito, moccassin, moose, musquash, opossum, papoose (little child, babe), pemmican, raccoon, sachem (a chief), skunk, squaw, toboggan (Canadian), tomahawk, totem, wampum, wigwam.

§ 324. A few Mexican words have come to us, mostly through Spanish, owing to the Spanish conquest of that country. I have treated this subject more at length in my paper on the Language of Mexico, and Words of West-Indian Origin, in the Transactions of the Philological Society, 1888–90, pp. 137–149. The two best books on this subject are the Dictionnaire de la Langue Nahuatl ou Mexicaine, par Rémi Siméon, Paris, 1885; and the Grammaire de la Langue Nahuatl, written by Olmos in 1547, and edited by the same editor, Paris, 1875. Mexican was written down

Perhaps a misprint for musscassus.

in the Spanish alphabet, so that the characters usually have the Spanish sounds. But it seems clear that in the 16th century, the Span. c and z both had the sound of z in zone; that c and qu were both like E. k in king, except that, before e and i, c was pronounced as s in sin; that ll had the modern Italian, not the modern Spanish sound; and that x had the old sound of E. x in mix, though it probably soon passed into sh.

Mexican Word-list. Axolotl, cacao, chilli, chinampa, chocolate, copal, coyote, jalap, ocelot, tomato.

I may remark that *chocolate*, Mex. *chocolatl*, is not connected, etymologically, with *cacao*, Mex. *cacauatl*. The Span. *petate*, a mat, is from Mex. *petatl*, but is not used in English. The name *Popoca-tepétl* simply means 'smoking mountain' or volcano, from *popoca*, to smoke, and *tepetl*, mountain.

§ 325. In the same paper (see § 324), I have attempted to group together words borrowed from the West-Indian islands according to the languages or dialects to which they belong.

Helpful books, in English, are: The First Three English Books on America, by R. Eden, printed by Prof. Arber, Birmingham, 1885; Joyful Newes out of the newe founde Worlde, translated from the Spanish of Monardes by J. Frampton, London, 1577; and Pineda's Span.-Eng. Dictionary. There is also a glossarial Index to the Spanish edition of the Works of Oviedo, but it is not very accurate, and gives no references. Another helpful book is Acosta's Natural History of the Indies, originally in Spanish; of which a French translation was printed in Paris in 1600, and an English translation in London in 1604. This translation affords early quotations for many words, and I therefore append a few references to the books and chapters of Acosta's work.

Acosta mentions the following Mexican words; cacao, iv. 22; chilli, iv. 20; chocolate, iv. 22; copal, iv. 29; tomate, iv. 20. Also the following Peruvian words; coca, iii. 20, iv. 3;

condor, iv. 37; cuschargui (jerked beef), iv. 41; guanaco, iii. 20; guano, iv. 37; ingua (inca), i. 25, &c.; lama, iv. 41; oca, iv. 18; paco (alpaca), iii. 20, iv. 41; quinna (tree yielding quinine), iv. 6; vicugne, iv. 40. And the following words belonging to the West-Indian islands or to the neighbouring coast; cacique, v. 5; caçavi (cassava), iv. 17; cayaman or cayman, ii. 13, iii. 15; cuye (a kind of rabbit), iv. 38; guayac, iv. 29; gucyavo (guava), iv. 24; yguana, iv. 38; maguey, iv. 23; mays (maize), iv. 16; manati, iii. 15; pelum (tobacco, whence E. petun-ia), iv. 29; tobacco, iv. 29; yuca, iv. 17.

Some of these words are derived from dialects now extinct, and we are therefore dependent upon Eden, Oviedo, and others, for the mention of the language to which they belong. The various accounts show that the Spaniards first became acquainted with the language of Hayti, and then with that of Cuba, which partly resembled it; so that many of the names which they picked up were of Haytian or Cuban origin; and these they transferred to other lands. It is clear that maguey, for example, does not belong to the language of Mexico, though the plant is abundant there; for Mexican has neither g nor gu in its alphabet, and in fact, the Mexican name of the plant is mell. The name maguey is said to be Cuban.

§ 326. After some search, I have made out the following list.

West-Indian Word-list. From the language of Hayti: barbecue, cacique, canoe, cassava, guiacum, guava (?), hammock (?), hurricane, iguana, maize, manati, potato, tobacco (?), yucca.

From Cuba: barbecue, maguey, manati.

From Jamaica: anatta, or annotto.

From Honduras: mahogany (?).

From Caribbean: cannibal, colibri, macaw, pirogue.

§ 327. Passing on to South America, we have first to observe that the language of the North coast seems to have

been mainly Caribbean, or closely allied to it. The following is the list.

North Coast of S. America. Agouti, caoutchouc (Quito), cayman (Caribbean), cuye (a kind of rabbit, Quito), sapajou (a monkey, Guiana), tolu (New Granada), wourali or curare (Guiana).

The rest of the South-American words are Peruvian or Brazilian; as described in my paper, published by the Philological Society in 1885, p. 7.

As to Brazilian words, Prof. Alexander, of Rio Janeiro, kindly sent me several notes, and I have also received from Mr. Amaro Cavalcanti a copy of his Brazilian Grammar, printed at Rio Janeiro, 1883. This describes the Tupi-Guarani language, or the language of the native Tupi and Guarani tribes.

Tupi-Guarani Word-list. Ipecacuanha (Port.), jaguar, tapioca, tapir, toucan (F.).

To these may be added cashew-nut, adapted from F. acajou, said to be taken from the native Brazilian acajaba or acajaiba; buccaneer (F., with F. suffix -ier), capivara, copaiba (a balsam), couguar, manioc, petunia (from Brazil. petun, tobacco).

I add a few notes on the above words. Ipecacuanha (with the characteristic Port. $nh = \operatorname{Span}$. \tilde{n}) is a most interesting example of a word formed by the principle of agglutination, or by the combination of several words in one. It is less a word than a descriptive sentence. The resolution of it is as follows. The Guarani word is $ipe-kaa-kua\tilde{n}a$ or $pe-kaa-gua\tilde{n}a$. The initial i is euphonic, and may be omitted; pe=peb, flat, low; kaa, wood, leaves of a tree, herb; $gua\tilde{n}a$, to vomit. It means, accordingly, the low (or creeping) plant that causes vomit. The accents should fall upon the e and the an; but we have never attempted to give the true sound.

In jaguar, the j has the sound of E. y; the E. j does not occur in Tupi-Guarani. The suffix -ar is agential, like (by

a curious coincidence) the E. -er. Properly, yaguára means 'dog,' and yaguar-eté, a 'jaguar.' The sense is supposed to be 'tearer of prey,' or 'barker.' It is so difficult to represent the native sounds that 'dog' is written yaguára, yáuára, and iáuára; which looks as if gu is a mere device for giving a sound like our w.

Tapioca is for tipi-óca; from tipi, residue, dregs, and óca, to squeeze out. It means 'a residual essence extracted by pressure.' Tapir is the same as tapira or tapyra, a common name given to cattle; hence it simply means 'great beast.' An ox is called tapyra-apegáua, lit. man-tapir, and a cow is tapyra-kunhã, lit. woman-tapir. The characters used for writing these words are Portuguese.

§ 328. For Peruvian words, we obtain some help from Acosta, as above (§ 325); also from Garcilasso de la Vega's History of Peru. I have also consulted a curious Peruvian-Spanish Dictionary, by D. Gonçalez, printed (I believe) at Lima, in 1608.

Peruvian Word-list. Alpaca (Span.), coca, condor (Span.), guanaco (a kind of alpaca, Span.), guano (Span.), inca, jerked beef, llama, oca (an edible root), pampas, puma, quinine (F., Span.), vicuna.

I append a few notes. Peruvian is spelt after a Spanish fashion, and not always correctly. For example, the language contains no g, but the Spaniards have usually written guanaco and guano for huanacu and huanu. It also contains no b; yet the word pampa is sometimes turned into bamba. In al-paca, al- is merely a Span. prefix, in fact, the Arabic def. article; the animal is often called a paco, as by Acosta. Coca is the herb whence we have made coca-ine, ignorantly pronounced [kokein], as if the ai were the common diphthong in bait. Condor is Peruv. cuntur. Guano, Peruv. huanu, means excrement, viz. of birds. Jerked beef was formerly jerkin beef, as in Capt. Smith's Works, p. 63; it means 'dried,' from Peruv. ccharquini, to prepare dried beef. Oca

is Peruv. occa, the name of an edible root. Pampas is the Spanish pl. of pampa, a plain. Quinine is a French spelling, -ine being a suffix; it was prepared from the tree called quina [kina], where the Span. qu is sounded like k. The name cinchona, sometimes given to the Peruvian bark, is an error for chinchona, a name which it obtained from the Lady Ana de Osorio, Countess of Chinchon and vice-queen of Peru, who was cured by it in 1638. Chinchon is the name of a small town in New Castile.

The words ananas and peccary are also of S. American origin, but I find nothing that decisively localises either of these words. Ananas has been said to be the Guiana, the Peruvian, and the Brazilian name. Peccary is usually termed Brazilian.

CHAPTER XXV.

On some False Etymologies.

§ 329. I have now briefly surveyed, in this second volume, the chief sources of the 'Foreign Element' in our language, whilst my former volume has dealt in some measure with the history of the 'Native Element.' I hope it will be understood that I have attempted no more than a mere outline, perhaps an imperfect one, of the history of English from an Etymological point of view; in order to supplement, and in some instances to correct, the etymologies given in my larger and concise Dictionaries. My chief endeavour has been to formulate some of the phonetic laws by which changes in the forms of words have taken place, so as to enable the student to trace for himself the history of a given word with some degree of accuracy. The indexes to the present and the former volume furnish ready reference to points connected with the history of a large number of words; sufficient, I hope, to show that regular laws govern the transformations of words, and to illustrate the worthlessness of the old system of giving credence to every idle guesser who fancied he perceived a resemblance between an English word and some other form in Anglo-Saxon, or indeed in any language, and straightway proclaimed the guess, and called it an 'etymology.'

§ 330. There is, in fact, no more shameful fact in the history of English education than is presented by the

humiliating absurdities and puerilities of some who, in former times, devoted themselves to the study of this subject. It is easy to understand how, in the absence of good editions of our older authors, the history of many words was practically inaccessible, and, consequently, there was frequently little left but to guess. But it is not easy to understand why the wildest guesses were usually received with an almost grovelling credulity, so that mere inability to repeat the guess was considered all one with being ill-informed. In the course of my investigations, I have come across a large number of lying stories, confidently put forward without a tittle of evidence, which one is, or used to be, expected to accept abjectly without question, merely because it was a fashion to do so. I will just give a few examples of what I mean by this.

§ 331. In vol. i. p. 5, I have exposed the miserable conceit which explained sirloin as the name of a joint 'which one of our kings knighted in a fit of good humour.' In my larger Dictionary, I have shown that the famous derivation of beef-eater (or eater of beef)1 from a wholly imaginary Anglo-French beaufetier, a word falsely coined by Mr. Steevens for this very occasion, rests on no foundation whatever. Such a form, equally with its original beaufet, still remains to be found. To the phonetician, it is sufficient to remark that the triphthong eau does not belong to the early Anglo-French spelling; it would rather have been * beufet, which would have produced bewfet and bewfeter; and from what form in Low Latin such an A. F. form could have been evolved, it is difficult to say. Perhaps it was, forsooth, * bellifactum, as having been 'beautifully made.' And yet this crazy puerility has taken so tight a hold on the public fancy, that it is deemed almost an act of impiety to doubt it. For all that,

¹ 'Even to this day, we use the word *sheep-biter* as a term of reproach, as we do *beef-eater* in a respectful and honourable sense;' Tatler, no. 148, Mar. 21, 1710.

let some of us dare to use our common sense, and not give way to what is supposed, I know not on what grounds, to be 'good authority' for the statement. Let it be understood that a correct etymology no more needs an 'authority' than good wine needs a bush.

In like manner, I have shown that nothing can well be more hopeless, from an historical point of view, than the too common 'derivation' of Whitsunday from the German Pfingsten. Those who believe in this wholly impossible transformation seemed to hold it as a pure article of faith, a thing not to be inquired into, but to be thankful for. It is in vain to tell them that, even when we have swallowed it, we still have to account for the Icelandic forms. And even if we gulp down the derivation from Pfingsten of the Icelandic Hvítasunnudagr (Whitsunday)1, we want some still longer form (shall we say the G. Pfingstenwoche?) to account for the Icel. Hvítasunnadags-vika (Whitsunday week). How are we to get these seven syllables out of four? And what is to be done with other Icel. names, such as Hvítadagar (White days, Whitsuntide), and Hvitadagshelgi (White-day's holiness, White-day-feast)? Etymologically, Whitsunday is simply White-Sunday2, the White being shortened to Whit under the stress of the accent, precisely as in Whitchurch and Whitclif; see vol. i. p. 494. That there are some historical difficulties about the precise explanation of the origin of the name, is quite another matter; yet even so, I think Mr. Vigfusson's explanation is satisfactory, viz. that, in northern countries. the Dominica in Albis was shifted from the First Sunday after

¹ I may as well cite here a curious piece of evidence. In Westwood's Palæographia Sacra Pictoria, in the last plate but one, is an interesting facsimile of an Icelandic MS. of, apparently, the fifteenth century. The rubric there shown (which the editor has misread) is:—'A Huyta Sunnu Dag skal fyrst syngia Ueni sancte spiritus;' i.e. On White-Sun-Day shall (one) first sing Veni creator spiritus.

² Translated into Welsh as Sulgwyn, lit. 'white sun,' dropping the 'day.'

Easter to the more genial time of Pentecost. It is not at all stranger than the use of noon to mean 12 o'clock. Certainly, noon has no other meaning now, and it is equally certain that, being the 9th hour from 6 P.M., it once invariably meant 3 P.M. As to the precise hour signified by the Protean word prime, he would be a bold man who would positively say; for it is absolutely necessary to know, first of all, the century in which the word is used.

§ 332. I will just throw together a few of the 'etymologies' which have been quite seriously proposed, but which no sane man ought to be expected to accept. I leave the reader to correct them where he can, merely observing that, of some of these words, the etymology is probably unknown. And surely it is better not to know than to accept a manifest imposition.

Almanac. From A. S. al-mon-agt, i. e. all-moon-heed, as heeding all the moons; Verstegan, Restitution of Decayed Intelligence, ch. iii.; ed. 1673; p. 47. N. B. The A. S. for all is eall; for moon is mona; and for heed (rather, deliberation) is eaht; and the phrase would be ealra monena eaht, meaning 'a council of all the moons.'

And. From A. S. an- \hat{ad} , i.e. add a heap; so Horne Tooke, adopted in Richardson's Dictionary. The A. S. verb referred to is unn, i.e. grant, and \hat{ad} really means a funeral pile; but these are details. Skinner says it is from Lat. adde, add, with inserted n (why not inserted x, while one is about it?). The choice is embarrassing.

Apple. 'A corruption of the Teutonic ap-fel, a fall from' (meaning the German ab and Fall); Gent. Mag. 1833, pt. i. p. 30.

Apple of the eye. From the Arab. al, the, and Coptic bal, the ball of the eye; ibid. I may note here that, in the earlier editions of Webster's Dictionary, before it was revised by Dr. Mahn, the Coptic and Ethiopic languages are constantly cited as affording likely origins for E. words.

Ask. Formed by prefixing a to the Lat. scitor, or sciscitor.—Guardian, Jan. 13, 1886; p. 67.

Bald. May not bald be connected with Lat. calvus? Ibid. May not it be from Lat. albus?—Guardian, Jan. 20, 1886; p. 111.

Caitiff. From the Syriac khátuf, a robber; N. and Q. 3 S. x. 491.

Cat-in-pan. From Gk. $\kappa \alpha \tau \hat{a} \pi \hat{a} \nu$, i. e. altogether; 'it is as clear as the day'; Gent. Mag. 1796, pt. ii. p. 1066.

From the F. tourner côté en peine, to turn sides in trouble; Dr. Brewer, Dict. of Phrase and Fable.

From the *Catipani* of Calabria, in the 8th century; 'Catapanus (sic) autem à Lat. *Capitaneus* manifestè corruptum est.'—Skinner. (What a roundabout way of saying it is a corruption of captain!)

Caterwaul. 'Dr. Th. Hickes putat dictum quasi Gutterwawl, quia sc. catulientes Feles inter imbrices horrendum illum ejulatum edunt.'—Skinner, s. v. Catterwawl.

Cheat. From A. S. ceatta, circumventiones; Somner's A. S. Dict. (But, in fact, the sense given is false; it is founded on the gloss: 'Rerum, ceatta,' in Wright's Gloss., ed. Wülker, 506. 28; so that ceatta is gen. pl. of ceat or ceatte, which merely means res, a thing.)

Clerk. From Gael. clar, a harp; clarsair, a harper, bard; so C. Mackay, in N. and Q. 5 S. x. 225. (Many thousand etymologies, of equal absurdity, may be found in Mackay's Dictionary of E. Etymology, which derives nearly all English from Gaelic.)

Cloak. From A. S. lach; Skinner. This curious word is given in Somner, without a reference. It was suggested by

¹ Possibly this word survived in provincial E., and is really the origin of the old slang word *chete*, a thing; thus *teeth* were called 'crashing chetes'; *ears* were 'hearing chetes'; a napkin, 'a muffling chete'; &c. See Awdeley's *Fraternity of Vacabondes*, ed. Furnivall, pp. 82, 83. See *Cheat*, sense 3, in the New E. Dict. But this is a guess.

the following gloss in Wright-Wülker's Vocab. 377. 22:— 'Clamidem, hacelan, oööe lachen, oööe loöan.' Skinner rejects Minshew's derivation of cloak from the Gk. καλύπτειν, to cover.

Coarse. Skinner, who spells it with the old spelling cours, gives us a choice of five origins; viz. from F. corps, because allied in sense to corpulent; or, by metathesis, from E. gross; or contracted from currish, dog-like; or from Gk. χέρσος, dry, hard; or from Gk. κόρση, the hair on the temples.

Cold Harbour. From Lat. coluber, a snake. Apparently because they are always found at the 'windings' of a road; which may be doubted. N. and Q. 3 S. vii. 303, 344; cf. the same, viii. 71.

Craven. 'Quasi Crave-hen, Veneri sc. qu'am Marti addictior.' So Hickes, qu. by Skinner. Skinner thinks it is from crave or creep.

Culvertail. This is a mere variation of dovetail, and has the same sense; for E. culver means a dove. Yet Skinner thinks it is from a F. couple-orteil or couple-arteil, representing a Lat. copulare articulum.

Curmudgeon. From F. cœur méchant, as suggested by an unknown correspondent; Johnson.

Reproduced in Ash's Dict. (1775) in the following form:— 'Curmudgeon (s. from the French cœur, unknown, and méchant, a correspondent), a miser, a churl, a griper.'

Deacon. It is remarkable that, whilst adducing the Lat. diaconus, Skinner prefers to derive it from Dan. degn, a clerk, or from A. S. degen, a thane, servant.

Dog. From δάκνειν, to bite; Minshew.

Fact. Richardson remarks, under fact, that 'the Lat. fac-ere (c, hard—fag-ere, g, hard) seems to be the A. S. fegan, itself formed of the A. S. eacan, to eke, and the prefix be, successively corrupted into pe, p, ph (ϕ), f—thus, f-eacan, f-egan.' With more of the same kind.

Faith. Richardson adopts Horne Tooke's theory, 'that it

is the A. S. fægth, that which one covenanteth or engageth, the third person singular of the indicative of fægan, which is also written fegan (see fact), pangere, pag-ere, to engage, to covenant, to contract.'

Flesh. Wachter (as quoted in Richardson) derives it from the verb to live, whence E. life, and A. S. lic, a living body, agreeing with the Goth. leik; 'which afterwards with the Æolic digamma prefixed was written flee [where?], and with the sibilant s inserted flasc . . . After all, the obscurity remains undiminished.' It seems to have been once a common habit to insert letters at pleasure; and the process became quite a learned one when these letters were called 'digammas' or 'sibilants.' In plain English, all this merely means that the A. S. flæsc can be obtained from the A. S. lic by prefixing f. inserting s, and changing i into α ; which is obviously true. In the same way, we can obtain E. flash from the A. S. lig, a flame, a flash, by prefixing f, changing g into sh, and altering the vowel. But why we should be allowed to do all this, no one knows.

Girl. 'Minshew deducit à Lat. garrula, vel ab Ital. Girella, vexillum vento versatile, a weathercock, à gyrando;' Skinner. Skinner himself thinks it is from A. S. *ceorla, an unknown [and impossible] feminine of A. S. ceorl, a churl.

Heart. 'Wachter remarks, that the Gk. $\hat{\eta}\tau\rho\rho$ and the A. S. heorte are, by metathesis, interchangeable'; Richardson. [How about the h?]

Mistletoe. From G. meist Heil, greatest heal; N. and Q. 3 S. vii. 363.

Monkey. From F. manque, a creature who has 'fallen short' of being a human being; N. and Q. 4 S. iii. 127.

From L. homunculus; id. 301.

Piers the Plowman. It means 'sayings of the teacher'; from the Celtic fear-sa-follamain; N. and Q. 6 S. ii. 117.

Rabbit. From Gk. δασύπους (stem δασύποδ-); N. and Q. 3 S. i. 403.

River. So called because it rives or splits asunder two countries; N. and Q. 4 S. xi. 22.

Sleeve. A favour, a love-token; something given aus Liebe, out of love or gallantry; Mackay, Lost Beauties of the English Language, p. 219.

Slog, to hit hard. From Ital. dis-, prefix, and locare (i.e. short for dislocate); N. and Q. 3 S. viii. 187.

And so on. I could easily give a hundred more, for I regret to say that I am profoundly versed in them; but these will suffice to show how entirely wild are the guesses made, and to what extent, in every case, all the hints which history and chronology will often abundantly furnish, are disregarded as being of no importance.

§ 333. The fact is, that there are whole books upon the subject of etymology by authors who are either entirely ignorant of the first principles of the science, or who ostentatiously disregard them. Sometimes it is a hobby which leads astray. Whilst, for example, the Dictionary by the Rev. G. W. Lemon (1783) is built upon the false assumption that nearly all English is derived from Greek, that by Charles Mackay assumes that our language is entirely of Celtic origin, and the author even goes so far as to take modern Gaelic as the representative of primitive Celtic, which is a very long way from the fact.

Those who are curious in these matters may find many examples in Dean Hoare's English Roots, 2nd ed., Dublin, 1856. He tells us, p. 13, that 'the English language was enriched by the introduction of the Provençal by Chaucer;' at p. 32, that our adj. dear is from the Erse dear, a daughter, and 'conveys a very pleasing idea'; at p. 49, that aloof was probably all off; at p. 51, that hope is from the verb to open, 'as describing a person looking out, with open and longing eyes,' as if the normal condition of eyes is to be shut; at p. 57, that 'kine is a contraction from cowen, the pl. of cow,' but the reference for the form cowen is jauntily omitted; at

p. 62, that the bones, without which the body could not subsist, are 'from the verb beon, to be'; and that the breath is 'from be (prep.) and oreth, the spirit'; at p. 66, that the drake derives his name from the mud in which he takes delight, from the German dreck, whence dregs, signifying mud'; &c. &c. The fact is, that many of the remarkable statements in this book and in Richardson's Dictionary are copied from Horne Tooke's Diversions of Purley, which is full of similar curiosities, mostly due to imperfect information and to an utter absence of any knowledge of A. S. pronunciation and of its phonetic habits. Nevertheless, I desire to speak of this work of Horne Tooke's with much respect, as I owe to it my emancipation from the trammels of blind belief in 'authority.' Even now, a thoughtful person may learn something from it, despite the wrongness of nearly all the author's results. For, to his great credit, he laid hold of and enunciated some great principles, especially when he insists on the necessity for independent and new research, and acknowledges the value of Anglo-Saxon and Gothic as helps to the understanding of the native element in English. He fully recognised the value of the historical method, and frequently adduces excellent quotations to show the old use of words. In this way, he showed that our unless was formerly spelt onlesse; though he failed to resolve this into on less, short for on less that. to be regretted that his acute intellect had no better materials to work with, and that he was thus led to formulate theories that have turned out to be quite impossible. Two of these are of some importance, as they were long in vogue. first of these is, that all conjunctions are formed from the imperative mood of the verb; and, to this day, we are informed, periodically, that the conjunction gif was, originally, the imperative singular of gifan, to give; the fact being that the resemblance between the words is purely accidental. This is the only one of his derivations, in this class, that is ever seriously quoted, as none of the rest have retained credit; but

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it is worth notice that the defenders of this etymology are compelled to reason in a circle. They first tell us that gif is from gifan, by the theory; and then appeal to this example, the only one that has even the appearance of being right, in order to prove the theory. The second of his famous theories is, that the suffix -th in abstract substantives, such as tru-th, is due to the suffix -eth of the third person singular of the present tense of verbs, such as (he) trow-eth. I have already discussed this in vol. i. p. 240.

§ 334. It is not only English etymology that has suffered by empirical and ignorant treatment. Still more notable things have been said concerning Latin and Greek. Take, for example, the work by the Rev. F. E. J. Valpy, entitled 'Virgilian Hours,' published by Messrs. Longman not many years ago, though it is not dated. The result of his study of Vergil was such as to enable him to enunciate this grand result, that 'out of the whole Æneid there is scarcely one word... which we may not reasonably trace to the Greek. This I consider a great conquest, a great trophy of learning and ingenuity.' Truly so; but the author somewhat spoils the effect by frequently offering two or three wholly incompatible solutions, instead of one; it seems to have been once held that to give a *choice* of etymologies showed the more learning, whereas it merely evinces helplessness.

Mr. Valpy's vagaries are almost past belief. At p. 11, he derives homo either (1) 'from χομὸς, Æolic of χαμὸς whence χαμόθεν' [so that homo is sprung from the ground]; or else (2) 'ab ὁμοῦ, man being a social being'; as if it made no sort of difference. At p. 5, he derives L. sanguis either (1) from ἄγιον, i. e. αἶμα; or (2) from αἶμα; or (3) from αἰματόεν; of which it may suffice to explain the second. Thus 'sanguis is soft for sanquis, samquis; and as salis from ἀλὸς, so samquis from ἄμκος, an Æolic corruption from αἷμτος, i. e. αἵματος.' Which shows that sanguis was, originally, a genitive.

It would be quite easy to multiply such examples a

hundredfold. There seem to be many minds that are absolutely incapable of understanding, that written words are merely conventional expressions of sounds, and that sound-changes, which are the changes to be studied, depend upon nice and exact laws. Hence this sort of playing with words still goes on, in spite of all the teachers of phonetics; and it is difficult to see how it can ever cease in England, where the 'motley' of recklessness is 'the only wear.'

§ 335. Perhaps the above remarks may be considered as being somewhat out of place in a work that has for its object a serious treatment of the subject, But it is, unfortunately, only too true that we are still but just emerging from the empirical stage, and it is as well that we should understand quite clearly what we have to avoid. I can speak feelingly, because I commenced my studies with the careful perusal of Horne Tooke, and have had a great deal to unlearn; and to this may, I think, be fairly attributed the rather too numerous mistakes in my Dictionary, especially in the first edition of it. The admirable work displayed in the New English Dictionary is an excellent model for imitation; and I hope that the next generation may know but little of the extraordinary fictions which even now disfigure but too many of the books which supply 'etymology' to the public, and which, in my younger days, I was expected to believe on pain of being deemed ignorant. Having thus briefly shown what we should avoid, I propose to give a brief summary of what seem to be the chief canons that may be accepted for our guidance.

CHAPTER XXVI.

CANONS FOR ETYMOLOGY.

- § 336. In the Preface to my Dictionary, I ventured to lay down a few canons for a student's guidance. I repeat them here for convenience, with some additions, merely observing that they only express well-known and generally accepted principles.
- r. Before attempting to discover an etymology, ascertain the earliest form and use of the word; observing its history and chronology.
- 2. Consider the history of the language treated of; and remember that one language can only borrow from another when there has been absolute contact between the two languages.
- 3. Strictly observe phonetic laws, i. e. the laws which are found to regulate the mutual relation of consonants and vowels in the Aryan (Indo-European) languages. Foremost among these laws are: (1) Grimm's Law (vol. i. capp. 6, 7); Verner's Law (vol. i. c. 9, reading 'otherwise' instead of 'but if it precedes the position of the accent,' at p. 148); Grassmann's Law (above, p. 271); the laws of vowel-gradation (vol. i. c. 10) and of vowel-mutation (vol. i. c. 11).
- 4. In comparing two words, A and B, belonging to the same language, of which A contains the lesser number of syllables, A must be taken to be the more original word, unless we have clear evidence of some contraction or corruption.
 - 5. In comparing two words, A and B, belonging to the

same language and consisting of the same number of syllables, the older form can be distinguished by observing the sound of the principal vowel. (This applies to cases of vowel-mutation. Of course the word containing an 'original' vowel must be older than a corresponding one which contains a 'mutated' vowel.)

- 6. Strong verbs, in the Teutonic languages, and the so-called 'irregular' verbs in Latin, are commonly to be considered as primary, other related forms being derived from them.
- 7. The whole of a word, and not a portion of it only, must be reasonably accounted for; and, in tracing changes of form, any infringement of phonetic laws must be regarded with suspicion, and should be specially accounted for. Most exceptions are due to the operation of analogy (§ 144, p. 195, above), or to a peculiarity of accentuation.
- 8. Mere resemblances of form and apparent connections in sense, between languages that have different phonetic habits or no necessary connection, are commonly delusive, and should not be regarded.
- 9. When word-forms in two different languages are more nearly alike than the ordinary phonetic laws (such as Grimm's Law) would allow, there is a strong probability (if the connection is a *real* one) that one language has *borrowed* the word from the other. Truly cognate words must not be *too much* alike.
- ro. It is useless to offer an explanation of a 'native' English word which will not at the same time explain all the related words in other cognate languages.
- § 337. I give some examples of instances in which the above laws have been disregarded, with sad results.
- r. The derivation of almanac from Anglo-Saxon (above, § 332) contradicts history. The word first appears in Chaucer, who obviously borrowed it from the French. Faith cannot be from Anglo-Saxon (above, § 332), because it is

- of French origin. On the other hand, sleeve is not from German, because it occurs in Anglo-Saxon. Most false accounts of a word sin against this first canon.
- 2. We may put aside all special crazes such as these, viz. that the native element of English is (as Mr. Lemon says) of Greek origin; or (as Mr. Mackay says) of Gaelic origin; or that Latin is mainly borrowed from Greek, a theory formerly common: or that Latin and Greek are derived from Hebrew. The silliest belief of all, and usually the most pernicious, is that English is 'derived' from German. It is useless, again, to compare English with Ethiopic or Coptic or Finnish, because there never was any conceivable point of contact between the languages. All E. words that are really borrowed from Hebrew are necessarily biblical, as that is the only way in which contact has taken place. An exception to this is seen in M. E. gnoff, Mod. E. gonoph, a slang term for a thief, also a lout, which was picked up from the Jews in the streets of London; from the Heb. ganāv, a thief. And here, the character of the word is exceptional.
- 3. Grimm's Law is constantly disregarded by the uninitiated. The Old Dictionaries by Minshew, Skinner, &c. are particularly unfortunate in this respect. Even now, people associate the Scandian word call with the Gk. καλείν, and the native E. care with the Lat. cura, both of which associations are purely delusive, seeing that an E. initial k answers to Gk. and L. initial g (vol. i. p. 110). Wedgwood's Dictionary often mystifies the reader by a similar carelessness; thus, under dare, we have a discussion of the Lat. durus, which is necessarily from a different root; and, under day, the first form cited is that of the unrelated Lat. dies. Day is from the root dhegh, to burn; see Brugmann's Grundriss, § 77; whereas L. dies is allied to the Skt. div-ā, by day; id. § 361. Webster's Dict. tells us that deem (A. S. deman) is 'perhaps allied to Lat. damnare'; which is impossible. A very little care will prevent such confusion.

- 4. This rule is very obvious in the case of suffixes; the L. word car-us, dear, necessarily preceded its derivative car-i-tas, which is longer by a syllable. Similarly, when, in Richardson's Dict., s. v. Chine, he derives the F. echine [properly échine, O.F. eschine] from the F. verb echiner, to break the back of, he is reversing the order of things, and deriving the simpler form from the more complex. There are a large number of 'denominative' verbs in French and Latin, derived from substantives; we must never derive the substantive from the verb in such a case.
- 5. In Anglo-Saxon, denominative verbs are also common, but they are often marked by mutation or vowel-change; thus A. S. tell-an, E. tell, is from the sb. tal-u, a tale, with the mutation a > e. To derive tale from tell is a plain mark of ignorance; but it is not uncommon. Similarly, deem, A. S. $d\bar{e}m$ -an, is derived from A. S. $d\bar{o}m$, doom; and feed, A. S. $f\bar{e}d$ -an, from A. S. $f\bar{e}d$ -a, food; yet Webster's Dict. says that A. S. foda (sic) is derived from fedan (sic).
- 6. See vol. i. c. 10 for examples of the numerous derivatives, especially with vowel-gradation, from various A. S. strong verbs. By way of illustration, I may remark that the singular remarks upon the word faith, in § 332 above, include the absurdity of deriving the Lat. primary verb facere from the weak and secondary A. S. verb fegan.
- 7. The failure to account for the whole of a word is a very common mark of false etymology. Thus the curious notion of deriving cloak from A. S. lach (\S 332) fails to account (1) for the initial c, (2) for the spelling with oa, and (3) for the occurrence of k; and the three things taken together show a very complete failure. The derivation of Whitsunday from G. Pfingsten fails to account (1) for the Wh, (2) for the loss of ng, (3) for the unexampled substitution of ts for st, (4) for the u, and (5) for the addition of day. The derivation of E. bald from L. caluus fails to account (1) for the initial b, and (2) for the final d. And so on. A mere notion of some

sort of general resemblance between two words is absolutely worthless and misleading.

On the other hand, there is no a priori reason against a close relationship between words that have no obvious resemblance, if the apparent difference in form can be accounted for. A large number of examples will be found under my List of Aryan Roots, in my larger Dictionary, 2nd ed., p. 730. No scholar who understands the phonetics of the Indo-European languages doubts the close relationship between the words listen, loud, client, glory, and slave; see vol. i. pp. 283-6. On the other hand, we frequently find homonyms, or words alike in form, that are wholly unrelated as to origin; such are E. sound, adi., healthful, E. sound, a strait of the sea, and E. sound, a noise; see vol. i. D. 410. We cannot, in fact, form any judgment as to whether words are related or not, by mere inspection, or even by pronouncing them; we must first of all know their whole history. As soon as we find out that the adj. sound, healthful, was spelt sund in A. S., whilst the sb. sound, noise, arose from F. son, due to Lat. sonus, the apparent resemblance between the words disappears. Both have an s and an n in them, and that is all; the same is true of sin, son, sun, sine, and soon.

The commonest error of our early etymologists was to neglect the vowel as unimportant, whereas it is just the most vital and important part of the word. It is just because sin, son, sine, and soon all have different vowels, that they are independent words. Oddly enough, son and sun had once the same vowel, as they represent, respectively, the A. S. sunu and the A. S. sunne.

8. It is a common error to associate words because they have a similar meaning, and some slight external resemblance. I have already noted the frequent association of E. call with Gk. καλεῦν, of E. care with L. cura, and of E. day with L. dies. In none of these cases is there any etymological

connection whatever. A word cognate with E. call would begin, in Greek, with γ . A word cognate with E. care would begin, in Latin, with g. And a word cognate with E. day would begin, in Latin, with f. No exception is known to these fundamental laws, which depend upon the phonetic habits of the languages in question; and no student will make any real progress in the study till he recognises that so it must be.

- 9. The borrowed words in A. S. are easily detected by their close resemblance to Latin. Thus the A. S. deofol resembles the Lat. diabolus only because it is the Lat. word in A. S. spelling; they cannot possibly be merely cognate forms. Similarly, the L. puteus, when borrowed, necessarily becomes the A. S. pyt; and similar remarks apply to all the A. S. borrowed words discussed in vol. i. c. 21. The E. deck resembles Du. decken only because it is actually borrowed from it; the true A. S. form of the verb is theccan. Drill is actually borrowed from Du. drillen; the A. S. form is thirlan, whence E. thrill. In every case, we must go to work with due care.
- 10. The curious proposal (see § 332) to regard the A. S. heorte as resulting, by metathesis, from the Gk. $\tilde{\eta}\tau o\rho$, must, if true at all, be equally true for the cognate forms seen in G. Herz, L. cor, and Gk. $\kappa a\rho\delta la$. But surely, it cannot be supposed that, in Gk., $\tilde{\eta}\tau o\rho$ and $\kappa a\rho\delta la$ are mere variants of the same word. When Richardson, in his Dictionary, proposes to derive the E. foot 'from fettian, to carry,' he forgets that this involves the derivation of G. Fuss, L. pes, Gk. $\pi o \hat{v}s$, from the same source. When, on the other hand, Verstegan (as above, § 332) attempts to treat almanac as if it were native English, he leaves out of sight the F. almanac, the Span. almanaque, and the Ital. almanacco.
- § 338. Simple as the above canons may appear, they are sadly neglected every day, though the observance of them would check elementary blunders, and prevent much bad

work from being put forward. The student will do well to master them, and to bear them in mind; although, even then, there will still be much to learn before accuracy can be secured. All experience shows that, short of absolute accuracy, there are no results worth having, of any abiding value. Much as guesswork has been deferred to hitherto, there is no reason why it should be honoured in the future. I hope the time is at hand when feeble and haphazard conclusions will no longer be regarded as proofs of intelligence and 'ingenuity,' but, in their right light, as proofs of incompetence, ignorance, or negligence; just as would be the case in any other scientific study. Why it is, that blind yet blatant blundering should be praised in etymology, whilst it would be scouted in the study of botany or of chemistry, is one of the things that still remain unexplained.

§ 339. The actual exceptions to the perfect and regular operation of phonetic laws are, in almost all cases, due to the modifying influence of what has been called 'analogy'; see p. 195 above. As this principle is one of great importance, a few more examples of its operation may be useful.

Analogy is really an exercise of popular logic, which arrives at a wrong, yet very natural, conclusion by not clearly understanding all the facts. If, for example, it is known that the past tense of bear is bore, it seems safe to assume that the past tense of wear should be wore; and wore it now is, accordingly. Yet history tells us that the A.S. beran made the pt. t. bær, and the mod. E. bore is really borrowed from the pp. boren. On the other hand, the A.S. werian was a weak verb, with a pt. t. werede; and even in Chaucer the past tense is still wered (C. T. Prol. 75). But popular logic proved stronger than ancient habit, and at the present time the analogic form wore is alone permissible. The pt. t. weared would be condemned as a solecism, though it is historically correct. Many of the results due to this process can be expressed in

the form of a proportion or 'analogy'; thus bear: bore::wear: wore. Here the fourth term is really a new product.

In many cases the popular taste has reduced the three stems of our strong verbs to two; so that break, pt. t. brake, pp. broken, has been reduced to break, pt. t. broke, pp. broken. This was clearly suggested by the fact that there were but two different stems in all verbs conjugated like fall (pt. t. fell, pp. fall-en) and shake (pt. t. shook, pp. shak-en). The arrangement was, indeed, different, but it was readily argued that, if two stems were enough in these conjugations, two stems could be made to serve the turn in, at least, several other cases. And there was already a precedent for making the vowel of the pt. t. like that of the pp., inasmuch as the pt. t. pl. of sing-an, to sing, was sung-on in A. S., whilst the pp. was sung-en. It is by such precedents that new analogies are suggested.

The A. S. strong conjugations had, in fact, four principal stems in five conjugations out of seven, but one of these has utterly disappeared, viz. the third stem, or that of the past tense plural. This is the perfectly logical result of taking the verbs fall and shake as models. The plural of I fell being we fell, and the plural of I shook being we shook, it was natural enough to turn the plural of I drove into we drove (instead of we driv, from A. S. wé drif-on), and the plural of I sang into we sang (instead of we sung, from the A. S. we' sung-on). In the latter case, the verb to sing thus acquired the three stems seen in the pres. sing, the pt. t. sang, and the pp. sung. Then the tendency to reduce the number of stems to two, caused the not unfrequent use of sung for sang, and has thus introduced an uncertainty as to the correct usage. The whole system of our modern E. strong verbs has become disorganised by the repeated operation of analogy, due to the influence of one conjugation upon another, and to the wish to reduce the number of stems. In most cases it is absolutely necessary to observe the A.S. and M.E. forms of a given

strong verb before we can understand what has happened. In a considerable number of cases, the past tense is formed 'on the analogy' of the past participle. It seems a safe prediction that the pt. t. I spake will disappear, and will be supplanted by I spoke, through the influence of the pp. spoken.

§ 340. Another easy example of the operation of analogy is in the use of -s (or -es) to form the plurals of substantives. A Latin scholar may know that the plural of praemium is praemia, but the Englishman is quite clear that the plural of premium should be premiums. It is needless to multiply instances.

In the same way, it is understood that every newly adopted verb is weak; and, the moment that we hear of the introduction of a new verb to boycott, we naturally conclude that its past tense and past participle must needs be boycotted. Many strong verbs have been reduced to weak ones by mere analogy with the latter. I have enumerated them in vol. i. pp. 161-7. Several, indeed, are strong in one respect, and weak in another. Thus move is weak in the pt. t. move-ed, but its strong pp. moven remains. From which it will be seen that analogy often does its work imperfectly and partially, and is capricious in its action. Such capriciousness is precisely what we should expect.

§ 341. The above examples of the influence of 'analogy' are all grammatical, but have been chosen to exemplify the principle. Sometimes it is called 'false analogy'; and, indeed, it is usually due to some mistake, or to a false reasoning. But we see examples of it in other cases also; and some of the results are curious. We have, for example, the adj. sound, and the sb. sound, in the sense of 'a strait of the sea'; and -ound is quite a common ending. Hence it is, that the M. E. soun, a noise, was turned into sound; and there is a strong tendency, among the lower orders, to turn gown into gownd. Some writers call this particular kind of reasoning by analogy by the very expressive name of 'form-association.'

That is to say, the association of M. E. soun with the forms sound which so nearly resembled it, caused it to be merged with the rest in a common form. See the remarks on 'confluence of forms' in vol. i. p. 409. A good example of a word which has suffered a considerable alteration in its vowel-sound is the M. E. feid, enmity; it has been turned into feud by form-association with feud in the sense of 'fief.' The words have no connection whatever, yet one has influenced the other all the same; probably owing to some confusion as to the exact meaning of the terms. Whenever any violent alteration occurs in a word's form, we may generally conclude that form-association has been at work.

§ 342. From the preceding observations, it will appear that the chief principles of etymology are practically reducible to two, viz. the regular operation of phonetic laws, and the subsequent alteration of forms by some false analogy suggested by form-association. The former of these is of physiological or natural origin, and is perfectly and inflexibly regular throughout the same period of the same language; and even though different languages show different phonetic habits and predilections, there is a strong general resemblance between the changes induced in one language and in another; many of the particular laws are true for many languages. The other principle is psychical or mental or artificial, introducing various more or less capricious changes that are supposed to be emendations; and its operation is, to some extent, uncertain and fitful. It is thus that we account for artificial exceptions to the immutable laws that control natural phonetic change. Sometimes the second principle causes downright corruptions, as in the well-known instance in which our sailors substituted Billy Ruffian for the unfamiliar Bellerophon; but it is found by experience that corruptions of this nature are not particularly common. They have been made much of by the etymologists of the old school, who saw 'corruption' everywhere, and allowed it uncontrolled licence; but the lazy

method of considering all sound-changes as capricious and unaccountable, is being fast discredited, and scientific method is, happily, at last coming into vogue. There is a reason for everything, and we must not rest satisfied till we find it. Whenever we fail to trace the whole of a word's history, it is only decent to acknowledge that its etymology is 'unknown.' I am conscious of having sometimes transgressed by giving unsatisfactory and uncertain explanations, but I now recognise clearly that such a proceeding is indefensible; and, what is even worse, it is immoral, as every perversion of the whole truth must necessarily be.

§ 343. We can sum up the whole matter by saying that our pursuit is ETYMOLOGY, by which we seek to give an account of the TRUE origin of a word. In such a pursuit, all falsehood and (what is even worse) all suggestions of falsehood are out of place, and can only obscure our sight and lead us astray from the real object of our search. Hence my parting word to all who may come across these volumes is this; you can only assist etymological research by carefully refraining from all suggestions of what is false. 'Brilliant invention' is to be carefully eschewed; it is only another name for lying. But patient investigation, with a resolve to come at the truth, is a training that at once instructs and ennobles; and is in absolute harmony with the highest aim even of religion itself, which can offer mankind no greater reward than to guide us all, in due time, to a perfect knowledge of the whole, the living, and the eternal TRUTH.

APPENDIX.

ON THE GRADATION OF ANGLO-SAXON STRONG VERBS.

In vol. i. § 134, p. 156, it is remarked that Greek and other Aryan languages, as well as Teutonic, exhibit gradation in the conjugations of verbs, and in verbal derivatives. Brugmann has thrown much light upon this in his *Grundriss*, vol. i. § 307, &c. I here attempt a sketch of his method, adapting it, as well as I can, to a simple and popular form of explanation, and omitting some of the details.

The most important series of graded vowels is the e-series. Brugmann's full scheme is:—

Weak grade. Strong grade. a. (unaccented). b. (secondary accented). 1. 2. 3. 4. 0 (e) e o $\bar{\rm e}$ $\bar{\rm o}$

He further notes that the e, in the strong-grade number I, received the principal accent.

Let us suppose, for the present, that the weak grade may be denoted by 0 (zero), and may be called the zero-grade; and that this may be taken to mean a grade in which, owing to loss of accent, a vowel appears in some weakened form or is lost, or a diphthong is reduced to a simple vowel. For greater convenience, I shall call the 'strong-grade I' by the name of 'prime grade,' and the 'strong-grade 2' by the name of 'middle grade' simply; omitting, for the present, the strong-grades 3 and 4. This gives a simpler (but less complete) scheme, as follows:—

Prime grade. Middle grade. Zero-grade.

The mark over the *e* here denotes accent, not vowel-length. And it must be noted, that the use of the words 'prime' and 'middle' in this scheme is only assumed for the sake of greater definiteness. It is not ascertained that the 'prime grade' is

any 'stronger' than the 'middle grade.' As examples, take the following:—

PRIME: πέτ-ομαι, 'I fly'; Lat. ped-em, acc., 'foot.'

MIDDLE: ποτ-ή, 'flight'; πόδ-α, acc., 'foot.'

ZERO: $\dot{\epsilon}$ -πτ-όμην, 'I flew'; Zend fra-bd-a (for *fra-pd-a), 'the fore-part of the foot, the instep.'

Before we can apply this to Teutonic, we have to remember that the Gk. o always corresponds to a Teut. a, as in Gk. $\delta\kappa\tau\dot{\omega}$, Goth. ahtau, 'eight'; see Sievers, O. E. Gr. § 45. Hence, the (simplified) Teut. scheme is ℓ (prime); a (middle); 0 (zero); where ℓ means accented ℓ , not long ℓ .

THE VERB 'TO GIVE,'

Closely corresponding to the above scheme is the gradation of the verb 'give'; see vol. i. p. 168. The Teutonic forms of the four principal stems are:

1. (infin.) géb-an; 2. (past sing.) gab; 3. (past plur.) gēb-um; 4. (pp.) geb-áno.

To understand this fully, note that ℓ means short e (accented), and \bar{e} means long e. Also, that the accent on the pp. of strong verbs fell originally on the suffix, and not on the root-syllable; this is proved by Verner's Law (vol. i. § 130). Consequently, the pp. was $g\bar{e}b\bar{a}no$ (or $g\bar{e}b\bar{a}no$), with unaccented short e. The third of the above stems, with the vowel \bar{e} , corresponds to Brugmann's 'strong-grade 3,' and only appears in two of the Teut. strong conjugations, viz. in verbs like give and bear. This is why I have said above, that it need not always be considered.

Perhaps this will appear more clearly if I repeat it in another form. Stem I represents the 'prime' grade; stem 2, the 'middle' grade; and stem 4, the 'zero' grade. Stem 3, however, corresponds to Brugmann's 'strong grade, no. 3.'

We can now understand the A. S. gradation in this conjugation, which is, in fact, quite regular, any slight variations being due to the habits of A. S. pronunciation. I first give four examples, and then explain them. For more such, see Sweet's A. S. Reader. (Here, again, I use ℓ for 'short accented ℓ ,' and denote real vowel-length by a horizontal mark or 'macron.')

cwép-an (to say) cwép cwæd-ón cwed-én mét-an (to mete) mét mæt-ón met-én giéf-an (to give) geáf gēaf-ón gief-én, gif-én on-giét-an (to perceive) on-geát on-gēat-ón on-giet-én, on-git-én. In the forms giefan, on-giet-an, the gi is merely a way of expressing the sound of y, which was the initial sound of these words. The root-vowel was really e, as in the G, geb-en, to give.

The unaccented gief- (yĕv) in the pp. easily became gif- (yĭv), which is a more usual form; and the infinitive also frequently appears as gif-an, probably by 'form-association' with the pp. In M. E. we find yeu-en, yiu-en (with u = v), pt. t. yaf, pp. yiu-en (=yiv-en). The mod. E. give, with hard g, must be due to a Northern or East-Anglian dialect, perhaps influenced by Norse; cf. Icel. gef-a, pt. t. gaf, pt. t. pl. gaf-u, pp. gef-inn. So also, in the A. S. form geaf, the ge merely means y; so that geaf = yaf.

In the pt. t. cwap, we have the characteristic use of A.S. a for Teut. a, of which there are numerous examples; cf. dag, day, pl. dag-as. The Teut. \bar{e} in the pt. t. pl. regularly corresponds to A.S. \bar{a} ; cf. Goth. $d\bar{e}ds$, A.S. $d\bar{e}d$, a deed. This accounts for $cw\bar{a}d$ -on, $m\bar{a}t$ -on. That the accent was originally on the second syllable appears by the substitution of d for p in $cw\bar{a}d$ -on (by Verner's Law). The same is true for the pp. cwad-en. The only remaining difficulty is the use of $\bar{e}a$ in $g\bar{e}af$ -on instead of the regular $\bar{a}e$. This is due to the palatal influence of the g (=y), as explained in Sievers, O. E. Gr. § 75.

In the earliest A. S., the accent was already shifted on to the root-syllable throughout the verb, as in Modern English. But it is only by considering the *original* position of the accent (on the suffix), that we can explain the forms of the pt. t. pl. and pp.

In verbs like give, the e is followed by a single consonant which is never a nasal or a liquid. The cognate forms in other Teut. languages can be explained by the habits of pronunciation of those languages.

THE VERB 'TO BEAR.'

The Teut. formula is as follows (vol. i. p. 168):—

1. (infin). bér-an; 2. (pt. s.) bár; 3. (pt. pl.) bēr-úm; 4. (pp.) bor-áno.

The A.S. formula is: 1. ber-an; 2. ber; 3. ber-on; 4. bor-en.

The first three stems are just the same as in the case of 'to give,' and require no further explanation.

The last stem has, apparently, the vowel o, but this is not the right way to explain its form. The presence of this vowel is solely due to the following r; and the fact is, simply, that or (for

1 Not geāf-on, as in Sweet's Reader, 4th ed., 1884.

vocalic r) is the regular 'zero-grade' of er, which is here to be taken as the form of the prime grade. We thus get, by the substitution of Teut. a for Gk. u, the following scheme.

Prime grade. Middle grade. Zero-grade.

The r in the last of these can easily be sounded as *vocalic*; and we can consider the A. S. or as being a way of writing this vocalic r. With this understanding, the scheme for the verb to bear is the same as that for to give; and requires no further explanation. Observe that the Gk. vocalic r is written $\delta \rho$ or $\rho \delta$; cf. Gk. $\delta \epsilon \rho \kappa - \sigma \mu a_1$, pt. t. $\delta \epsilon - \delta \rho \rho \kappa - a_2$ aor. $\tilde{\epsilon} - \delta \rho \alpha \kappa - \sigma \nu$.

Again, vocalic l is similarly denoted by ol in A.S.; so that the pp. of stel-an is stol-én. So also hel-an, to hide; cwel-an, to die. Cf. Gk. $\sigma \tau \in \lambda - \lambda \omega$; $\sigma \tau = \lambda - \gamma \in \lambda - \gamma \omega$ ($= \epsilon - \sigma \tau \lambda - \gamma \omega$). So $\tau = \lambda - \gamma \in \lambda - \gamma \omega$

The pp. broc-en, from brec-an, was suggested by form-association with verbs of this class; the re being treated similarly to er.

In most verbs of this class, the e is followed by a nasal or a liquid.

THE VERB 'TO DRINK.'

If to the original prime grade e, we subjoin n (or m), we obtain the following Teutonic formula:—

Prime grade. Middle grade. Zero-grade. $\stackrel{e}{e}n \stackrel{e}{e}n \stackrel{e}{e}$

Nearly all the Teutonic languages (except Icelandic in some cases) turn en or em into in or im; the same change is common in modern English, as compared with Older English; see vol. i. § 377, p. 402. Hence the infin. forms bind-an, drinc-an, gelimp-an, &c., for *bend-an, *drenc-an, *ge-lemp-an, &c. Cf. Icel. drekk-a, for *drenk-a. But the e remains before l in belg-an, delf-an, &c., and even before rs in berst-an, persc-an; though it is usually 'broken' to eo before r (not followed by s), as in beorn-an, ceorf-an, &c. The last treatment is quite usual; cf. A. S. eor &e with G. Erde, earth. Hence the varieties of the vowel in the first stem are merely what we should expect.

The second stem is equally regular; we find band, gelamp, &c.; also 'breaking' of a to ea before l, as in dealf; and the same before r (except before rs), as in cearf; whilst *barst became barst. Here again, the varieties are all such as we should expect.

In the fourth stem, or zero-grade, the sounds of n, m, r, l are reduced to the vocalic forms; and these are written un, um, or, ol respectively in A.S. This accounts for bunden, gelumpen, borsten, bolgen.

In the third stem we find a similar reduction, except that we here find *ur*, *ul* preserved without alteration. This accounts for bundon, gelumpon, burston, bulgon.

The verbs frignan, bregdan, stregdan, belong here. The former has infin. frignan (with the same vowel as if it had been *fringan) and a pt. t. frægn (with the same vowel as if it had been *færgn). Bregdan is treated like berstan (with re, &c. for er, &c.). In all other verbs of this class (except feohtan) the e is followed by two consonants, the former of which is a nasal or a liquid.

For Gk. parallels, cf. $\tau\epsilon\nu-\hat{\omega}$ (fut. of $\tau\epsilon\nu\omega$, for $\tau\epsilon\nu-\nu\omega$), $\tau\delta\nu-\sigma s$, $\tau\epsilon-\tau\tilde{a}-\mu\alpha\iota$ (with α for vocalic ν). Also $\delta\epsilon\mu-\epsilon\iota\nu$, to build; $\delta\delta\mu-\sigma s$, house; $\delta\delta\mu-\alpha\rho$ (stem $\delta\check{a}\mu-\alpha\rho\tau$ -), managing a house, hence, 'spouse'; Brugmann, i. § 236.

It is clear from the foregoing remarks that the three above conjugations all resulted from *one*, which split into *three*, owing to the vowels being affected differently by the different consonants that succeeded them. Moreover, *drink* did not employ the strong grade with \bar{e} .

THE VERB 'TO DRIVE.'

If to the original gradation of the e-series we subjoin the semi-vowel y, which easily passes into i, we get the Teutonic gradation which follows —

Prime, ei; middle, ai; zero, i.

For when the e is subtracted from the ei, the i still remains in the zero-grade.

For ai, Gk. has oi; and we at once recognise such examples as $\pi\epsilon i\theta$ - ω , $\pi\epsilon$ - $\pi oi\theta$ -a, $\tilde{\epsilon}$ - $\pi i\theta$ -ov; and $\lambda\epsilon i\pi$ - ω , $\lambda\epsilon$ - $\lambda oi\pi$ -a, $\tilde{\epsilon}$ - $\lambda i\pi$ -ov. See vol. i. § 134, p. 156. Gothic imitates the Greek spelling with ei, as in dreib-an, though the sound intended was that of long $\bar{\epsilon}$ (ii). A. S. correctly writes $\bar{\epsilon}$ for the same. Again, in the second stem, Gothic has draib, but A. S. $dr\bar{a}f$, because the A. S. always has \bar{a} for Goth. ai. Hence we have, in A. S., the following scheme for the four stems, of which the 3rd and 4th are alike, and represent a zero-grade.

1. drīf-an; 2. drāf; 3. drif-ón; 4. drif-én. There is no more to be explained here.

THE VERB 'TO CHOOSE.'

If in the e-series, we subjoin to e, &c., the semi-vowel w, which easily passes into u, we get the following Teutonic gradation (cf. Gk. $\dot{\epsilon}$ - $\lambda \epsilon \dot{\nu}$ - $\sigma o \mu a u$, perf. $\epsilon \dot{\ell}$ - $\lambda \dot{\eta}$ - $\lambda o u \theta$ -a, 2 aor. $\ddot{\eta}$ - $\lambda u \theta o v$).

Prime, eu; middle, au; zero, u.

For eu, Goth. has iu; hence the Gothic gradation is:— Prime, iu; middle, au; zero, u (both in the 3rd and 4th stems).

A. S. always has $\bar{e}o$, answering to the Goth. iu, and $\bar{e}a$, answering to the Goth. au; as in A. S. $d\bar{e}op$, Goth. diups, deep; A. S. $\bar{e}are$, Goth. auso, ear. Hence we have A. S. infin. $c\bar{e}os$ -an, pt. t. s. $c\bar{e}as$. In the two zero-grades, we find the use of u in the 3rd stem, and of o in the 4th stem; that is, we find A. S. pt. t. pl. cur-on, pp. cor-en, with regular change of s (through e) to e, by Verner's Law. Gothic has pt. t. pl. e

The reason for this fluctuation between u and o is that u became o when A.S. e (Goth. a) occurred in the last syllable. Hence we have, in A.S. the following scheme for the four stems, of which the 3rd and 4th represent the zero-grade:—

I. ceos-an; 2. ceas; 3. cur-on; 4. cor-en.

The only remaining A. S. peculiarity is the use of \bar{u} in the infinitive of a few words, as $b\bar{u}g$ -an, $l\bar{u}t$ -an; see Sievers, O. E. Gr. § 385.

SUMMARY OF THE ABOVE.

From these remarks it now appears that all these *five* conjugations (of verbs like *give*, bear, drink, drive, choose) really belong to one and the same type, being all founded on the series $e, o, \bar{e}, 0$; where 0 represents the zero-grade. The five varieties resulted in this way. First, the series split into two by the use of \bar{e} in the 3rd stem of give and bear; whilst the rest do not use the \bar{e} -grade at all. Give differs from bear in not containing r (or l), which makes a difference in the form of the pp. Again, drink differs from give and bear in having a double consonant nk. This accounts for three varieties. Next, we have drive, from A. S. drīfan=*dreifan, where y (i) is subjoined to the stemvowels, giving the stems ei, ai, i. And lastly, we have choose, from A. S. $c\bar{e}osan=*keusan$, where w (u) is subjoined to the stem-vowels, giving the stems eu, au, u. We may tabulate these results as follows.

Fourth variety, with added $y: drive: \bar{i}$ (for ei), \bar{a} (for ai), \bar{i} , \bar{i} . Fifth variety, with added $w: choose: \bar{e}o$ (for eu), $\bar{e}a$ (for au), \bar{u} , δ (both for \bar{u}).

Thus all these verbs are practically conjugated according to one and the same principle, the vowels being inevitably affected by the sounds adjacent to them; and we can now easily perceive that a wonderfully symmetrical regularity is a peculiar characteristic of these so-called 'irregular' verbs. To call a verb 'irregular' because we do not understand it, is rather a confession of ignorance than a fair statement.

THE VERB 'TO SHAKE.'

This verb is founded upon a different gradation-series. The root-vowel is no longer e (er, el, em, en, ei, eu), but a. The series is called the a-series, of which Brugmann's scheme is as follows.

Weak grade. Strong grade. a (unaccented); b (secondary accented). 1. 2. a \bar{a}

Here the mark over á denotes accent only; the vowel is really short.

We may rearrange this, for our present purpose, as follows:— Prime, α ; middle, $\bar{\alpha}$; weak, $\check{\alpha}$.

The Aryan \bar{a} answers to A. S. \bar{o} , as in L. $m\bar{a}ter$, A. S. $m\bar{o}dor$, mother. In this conjugation, the A. S. verb has only *three* grades, the third stem being the same as the second. Hence the scheme is:

1. (infin.) scác-an; 2. (pt. s.) scōc; 3. (pt. pl.) scōc-on; 4. (pp.) scăc-én.

The verb ache, orig. signifying 'to drive,' appears in A. S. as: I. ac-an, 2. $\bar{o}c$, 3. $\bar{o}c$ -on, 4. ac-en. This we may compare with Lat. ag-ere, Gk. $\alpha\gamma$ - $\epsilon\nu$; the strong stem appears in Lat. amb- $\bar{a}g$ -es, Gk. $\sigma\tau\rho\alpha\tau$ - $\eta\gamma$ - δs . For the Gk. η , cf. Gk. $\mu\dot{\eta}\tau\eta\rho$ with Lat. $m\bar{a}ter$.

This completes the A. S. verbs that exhibit gradation. The verb to fall only exhibits reduplication; see vol. i. § 137, p. 159.

THE SEVEN CONJUGATIONS.

The order of the conjugations is indifferent; hence I have given them in the order: 1. fall; 2. shake; 3. bear; 4. give; 5. drink; 6. drive; 7. choose. It may be noted, however, that the usual German arrangement is different, viz. as follows: 1. drive; 2. choose; 3. drink; 4. bear; 5. give; 6. shake; 7. fall. The following doggerel lines contain these words in due order.

Drive slowly; wisely choose; from drink for-bear; Give freely; shake the tree, down falls the pear.

In this arrangement, the prime-grade vowels, &c., are respectively: 1. \bar{i} (for ei); 2. $\bar{e}o$ (for eu); 3. in (for en); 4. er; 5. e; 6. a; with the reduplicating verbs at the end of all.

The following parallels with Gk. and Latin, several of which have been given above, are worthy of special notice.

- I. Drive: A. S. dr $\bar{i}f$ -an, dr $\bar{a}f$, drif-on, drif-en. Cf. Gk. λείπ-ω, λέ-λοιπ-α (λοιπ-όs), $\tilde{\epsilon}$ =λ $\bar{i}\pi$ -ον. Also Lat. $f\bar{i}d$ -us, $f\bar{\omega}d$ -us, $f\bar{\omega}d$ -es. $D\bar{i}c$ -o, in- $d\bar{i}c$ -o.
- 2. Choose: A. S. cēos-an, cēas, cur-on, cor-en. Cf. Gk. ϵ -λεύσομαι, ϵ l-λή-λουθ-α, ή-λῦθ-ον. Also σπεύδ-ω. whence σπουδ-ή. Also φεύγ-ω, 2 aor. ϵ -φύγ-ον. Lat. dūc-ο (O. L. douc-o); dux, gen. dŭc-is.
- 3. Drink: A. S. drinc-an, dranc, drunc-on, drunc-en. Cf. Gk. $\tau\epsilon\nu$ - $\hat{\omega}$, fut. of $\tau\epsilon\dot{\nu}\omega$ (= $\tau\dot{\epsilon}\nu$ - $\nu\omega$); $\tau\dot{\nu}\nu$ -os; $\tau\dot{\epsilon}$ - $\tau\ddot{a}$ - $\mu\alpha$ 1 (for * $\tau\dot{\epsilon}$ - $\tau\nu$ - $\mu\alpha$ 1), and $\tau\alpha$ - $\tau\dot{o}$ 5 (for * $\tau\nu$ - $\tau\sigma$ 5), 'that can be stretched.' Also $\tau\dot{\epsilon}\mu$ - $\nu\omega$; $\tau\sigma\mu$ - $\dot{\eta}$; $\ddot{\epsilon}$ - $\tau\ddot{a}\mu$ -ov (for * $\ddot{\epsilon}$ - $\tau\mu$ -ov, with vocalic μ). Also $\delta\dot{\epsilon}\rho\kappa$ - $\sigma\mu\alpha$ 1; $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ - $\delta\rho\kappa$ - σ 2; $\delta\dot{\epsilon}$ - $\delta\rho\kappa$ - $\delta\dot{\nu}$ 3. Lat. men-s; mon-eo; me-min-i.
- 4. Bear: A. S. ber-an, bær, bær-on, bor-en. Cf. Gk. δέρ-ω, I flay; δορ-ά, a hide; δαρ-τόs or δρα-τόs, flayed. Also $\sigma \tau \epsilon \lambda \lambda \omega$; $\sigma \tau \epsilon \lambda \eta \nu$. Lat. pel-lo, pp. pul-sus.
- Give: A.S. giefan, geaf, gēaf-on, gif-en. Cf. Gk. πέτ-ομαι; ποτ-ή; ἐ-πτ-όμην. Also λέγ-ω; λόγ-οs. Lat. sĕqu-or; sŏc-ius.
- 6. Shake: A. S. scac-an, scōc, scōc-on, scac-en. Cf. Gk. ἄγ-ω; στρατ-ηγ-όs, ἡγ-έομαι. Lat. ag-o; amb- $\bar{a}g$ -es.
- 7. Fall: A.S. fall-an, fēoll (for * fé-fall), fall-en. Cf. Lat. cad-o; cé-cid-i. Also pel-lo; pé-pul-i.

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